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1           [There is no reportable action as a result of the  
2           Board of Supervisors' closed session held today.]

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6   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** GOOD MORNING. THE BOARD OF  
7   SUPERVISORS IS NOW IN SESSION. I'D LIKE EVERYONE TO RISE FOR  
8   THE INVOCATION AND THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. THE INVOCATION  
9   WILL BE LED BY FATHER P. ANTONIO ESTEVAN OF THE EPIPHANY  
10  CATHOLIC CHURCH IN SOUTH EL MONTE AND THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE  
11  WILL BE LED BY AL TIMMINS, CHIEF COOK OF THE AMERICAN LEGION  
12  POST 377 IN TUJUNGA. FATHER ESTEVAN?

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14  **FATHER P. ANTONIO ESTEVAN:** GOOD MORNING, MY BROTHERS AND  
15  SISTERS. LET US GATHER IN PRAYER. ALMIGHTY GOD AND FATHER, WE  
16  GIVE YOU THANKS FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY TO GATHER IN YOUR NAME,  
17  TO SERVE YOU AND CONDUCT IN THE AFFAIRS OF THE PEOPLE OF LOS  
18  ANGELES COUNTY. WE PRAISE YOUR NAME AND GLORIFY YOU FOR YOUR  
19  MERCY KNOWS NO BOUNDS. WE CALL UPON YOUR BLESSING TODAY FOR  
20  THE MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. LORD, GIVE  
21  THEM THE VISION THEY NEED TO GUIDE THE PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES  
22  INTO A BETTER FUTURE. GIVE THEM THE COURAGE TO LEAD THE PEOPLE  
23  TOWARD THE CREATION FOR A MORE PROSPEROUS AND JUST SOCIETY.  
24  GIVE THEM A BIG HEART, A GENEROUS HEART, TO SERVE YOUR PEOPLE  
25  WITHOUT COUNTING THE COST. MAY YOUR SPIRIT AND WISDOM BE WITH



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1 THEM TODAY SO THAT THEY MAY BE ABLE TO PLEASE YOU AND LOVE YOU  
2 BETTER AS THEY SERVE OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS OF LOS ANGELES.  
3 AMEN. MAY ALMIGHTY GOD BLESS YOU, FATHER, THE SON AND THE HOLY  
4 SPIRIT.

5

6 **AL TIMMINS:** PLACE YOUR HAND OVER YOUR HEART AND RECITE WITH  
7 ME. [ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE ]

8

9 **AL TIMMINS:** THANK YOU.

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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13 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. FATHER, IT'S INDEED MY  
14 PLEASURE TO PRESENT TO FATHER PEDRO ANTONIO ESTEVAN THIS  
15 CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION FOR LEADING US IN OUR INVOCATION  
16 THIS MORNING. FATHER PEDRO ANTONIO ESTEVAN WAS BORN IN SPAIN  
17 AND HAS BEEN AN ORDAINED PRIEST FOR OVER 22 YEARS. HE  
18 CURRENTLY LEADS THE CONGREGATION AT THE EPIPHANY CATHOLIC  
19 CHURCH IN SOUTH EL MONTE WHICH ALSO INCLUDES A PARISH SCHOOL  
20 THAT INCLUDES KINDERGARTEN THROUGH EIGHTH GRADE. FATHER  
21 ESTEVAN HOLDS A MASTER'S DEGREE IN THEOLOGY AS WELL AS A  
22 MASTER'S DEGREE IN COUNSELING AND PSYCHOLOGY. WE WANT TO THANK  
23 HIM FOR HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO SOUTH EL MONTE AND WE ALSO WANT  
24 TO COMMEND HIM FOR HIS CONTINUING SPIRITUAL GUIDANCE TO ALL OF  
25 HIS PARISHIONERS. THANK YOU SO MUCH. [ APPLAUSE ]





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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. WE WERE LED THIS  
3 MORNING IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE BY AL TIMMINS. I'M  
4 PRESENTING THIS ON BEHALF OF YOUR SUPERVISOR, MICHAEL  
5 ANTONOVICH, WHO IS OUT OF TOWN THIS WEEK. AL IS REPRESENTING  
6 THE AMERICAN LEGION POST 377 AT TUJUNGA, WHERE HE IS THE CHIEF  
7 COOK. HE SERVED THE UNITED-- YES, WE'VE GOT A JOB FOR YOU HERE  
8 IN OUR CAFETERIA. [ LAUGHTER ]

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SERVED IN THE MERCHANT MARINE FROM  
11 1943 THROUGH '45, OBTAINED THE RANK OF CHIEF, SERVED IN  
12 VARIOUS SHIPS IN THE ATLANTIC, MEDITERRANEAN AND PACIFIC  
13 OCEANS DURING WORLD WAR II. HE WAS INVOLVED IN VARIOUS BATTLES  
14 IN THESE THEATERS. HE RECEIVED THE ATLANTIC WAR ZONE MEDAL,  
15 MEDITERRANEAN MIDDLE EAST WAR ZONE MEDAL, THE MERCHANT MARINE  
16 COMBAT MEDAL AND THE MERCHANT MARINE EMBLEM MEDAL. HE IS  
17 RETIRED, FORMERLY AN INTERIOR DECORATOR. HE HAS LIVED IN THE  
18 FIFTH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT FOR 48 YEARS, ATTENDED WEAVER  
19 HIGH SCHOOL IN CONNECTICUT AND THE CULINARY SCHOOL OF THE  
20 UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT AND HE WAS ACTUALLY HELD FOR FIVE  
21 DAYS AS A PRISONER OF WAR IN AFRICA BY GERMAN FORCES AND HIS  
22 RELEASE WAS ARRANGED BY ENGLAND. SO YOU'VE SEEN A LITTLE  
23 ACTION IN YOUR DAY, SO I GUESS COOKING IS JUST A WALK IN THE  
24 PARK.

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1   **AL TIMMINS:** COME OVER SOMETIME.

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3   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I WILL. YOU GOT A DEAL. DON'T GET  
4 BETWEEN ME AND MY FOOD. AL, THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR COMING  
5 DOWN THIS MORNING AND LEADING US IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE  
6 AND ABOVE ALL FOR YOUR SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY. THANK YOU. [  
7 APPLAUSE ]

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9   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WE HAVE THE AGENDA.

10

11   **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD MORNING MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE  
12 BOARD, WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 3, PUBLIC  
13 HEARINGS, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 14. ON ITEM NUMBER 13, AS INDICATED  
14 ON THE POSTED AGENDA, COUNTY COUNSEL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM  
15 BE CONTINUED WITHOUT DISCUSSION TO AUGUST 28TH, 2007.

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17   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ITEM 13?

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19   **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND I NEED A MOTION ON THAT.

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21   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. MOLINA MOVES, KNABE SECONDS.  
22 WITHOUT OBJECTION, THIS WILL BE CONTINUED UNTIL AUGUST 28TH.

23

24   **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM 14, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED  
25 AGENDA, AT THE MEETING OF JULY 17TH, THE BOARD INDICATED ITS



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1 INTENT TO CONTINUE THE HEARING WITHOUT DISCUSSION TO JULY  
2 31ST, 2007.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. JUST TO BE SURE, IS THERE  
5 ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE WHO IS HERE ON ITEM 14? PARDON? OKAY.  
6 WITHOUT OBJECTION, WE WILL CONTINUE THIS UNTIL NEXT TUESDAY.  
7 NEXT ITEM. OH, YEAH, I'LL MOVE IT. MR. KNABE SECONDS.  
8 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

9

10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THE REMAINING WILL BE HELD FOR THE PUBLIC  
11 HEARING. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS  
12 15 THROUGH 21, ON ITEM NUMBER 15, SUPERVISOR KNABE VOTES "NO".  
13 ON ITEM 16, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA,  
14 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE  
15 WEEK TO JULY 31ST, 2007 AND, ON ITEM 17, SUPERVISOR KNABE AND  
16 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THE  
17 REMAINING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU, INCLUDING ITEM 15.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ON ITEM 15, MR. KNABE WILL  
20 BE RECORDED AS A "NO" VOTE. IT'S A 3-TO-1 VOTE. I'LL MOVE IT,  
21 BURKE SECONDS IT, WITH ONE OBJECTION, MR. KNABE, THAT IS  
22 APPROVED. IS THERE A TIME ISSUE ON ITEM 16? CAN WE JUST HOLD  
23 THAT? MAKE SURE IT'S NOT COMING UP FOR A HEARING THIS WEEK?  
24 IT'S ALREADY BEEN CONTINUED. SO LET'S HOLD THAT.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** OKAY.

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3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND ASK THE C.A.O.'S STAFF TO  
4 CHECK THAT OUT. THE OTHER ONE, 17, IS BEING HELD.

5

6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CORRECT.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND, ON THE REMAINDER, BURKE  
9 MOVES, MOLINA SECONDS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

10

11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CONSENT CALENDAR, ITEMS 22 THROUGH 34. AND,  
12 ON ITEM 26, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO  
13 SPEAK ON THIS ITEM, WHICH WE CAN TAKE UP RIGHT NOW AND THEN...

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NO. LET'S HOLD IT AND WE'LL COME  
16 BACK TO IT. WE HAVE SOME PRESENTATIONS WE NEED TO MAKE.

17

18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SO THE CONSENT CALENDAR IS BEFORE YOU WITH  
19 THE EXCEPTION OF ITEM 26.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MOLINA MOVES, KNABE SECONDS.  
22 WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

23

24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 14, DISCUSSION ITEMS, 35 THROUGH  
25 40. ON ITEM 35, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA, MY OFFICE



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1 IS REQUESTING THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO MY OFFICE AND  
2 ALSO WE WILL HOLD THIS ITEM FOR A DISCUSSION. ON ITEM 37, AS  
3 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE  
4 OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO JULY  
5 31ST, 2007.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S ITEM 37?

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9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THAT WAS ITEM 37 AND THE REMAINDER,  
10 INCLUDING 35, WE WILL HOLD FOR DISCUSSION. ON PAGE 16,  
11 MISCELLANEOUS, ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE  
12 THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE  
13 GREEN SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, ITEM 1-H, ON THIS ITEM, YOUR BOARD  
14 IS ACTING AS THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE HOUSING  
15 AUTHORITY.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** BURKE MOVES, MOLINA SECONDS.  
18 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

19

20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM 41-A, WE'LL HOLD THIS FOR A REPORT.  
21 ITEM 41-B IS BEFORE YOU.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY KNABE, SECONDED BY  
24 MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 17, NOTICES OF CLOSED SESSION. ON  
2 ITEM C.S.-1, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO  
3 HOLD THIS ITEM.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

6

7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA.  
8 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL  
9 DISTRICT NUMBER 3. 1-H WAS PASSED, CORRECT.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I HAVE A PRESENTATION FOR THE NEW  
12 CONSUL-GENERAL FROM INDONESIA. WE ARE HONORED THIS MORNING TO  
13 HAVE WITH US THE NEW CONSUL-GENERAL OF INDONESIA, THE  
14 HONORABLE -- I'M GOING TO DO MY BEST -- SUBIJAKSONO SUJONO,  
15 WHO'S A NEW CONSUL-GENERAL OF INDONESIA HERE IN LOS ANGELES.  
16 CONSUL-GENERAL SUJONO RECEIVED A MASTER'S OF ECONOMICS IN  
17 MALANGE. HE JOINED THE DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF HIS  
18 COUNTRY IN 1983 AND SERVED IN SEVERAL POSITIONS IN THE  
19 MINISTRY WHICH INCLUDED THE DIRECTOR OF THE WESTERN EUROPE  
20 DIVISION INVOLVED IN INVESTMENT AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS; THE  
21 DIRECTOR GENERAL OF PROTOCOL AND COUNSELOR AFFAIRS; AND, PRIOR  
22 TO ASSUMING HIS POST HERE IN LOS ANGELES, HE SERVED AS  
23 SECRETARY FOR THE DIRECTORATE GENERAL FOR PROTOCOL AND  
24 CONSULAR AFFAIRS. HE SERVED IN THE INDONESIAN EMBASSY'S  
25 ECONOMIC AFFAIRS MINISTRIES OF DENMARK, VIETNAM AND GREECE,



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1 WHERE HE HELD THE POSITION OF MINISTER COUNSELOR OF ECONOMIC  
2 AFFAIRS. CONSUL-GENERAL SUJONO IS HERE WITH HIS WIFE,  
3 HARRIETI, AND HIS THREE CHILDREN, WHO ARE 21, 19 AND 16.  
4 CONSUL-GENERAL, I WANT TO PRESENT YOU, ON BEHALF OF ALL MY  
5 COLLEAGUES, WITH THIS PLAQUE AS A TOKEN OF OUR WELCOME TO YOUR  
6 POSTING HERE IN LOS ANGELES AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING  
7 WITH YOU IN THE COMING YEARS AND ANYTHING THE COUNTY  
8 GOVERNMENT CAN DO TO ASSIST YOU IN YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES,  
9 PLEASE DON'T HESITATE TO ASK. WE'RE HONORED TO HAVE YOU HERE.  
10 INDONESIA IS AN IMPORTANT COUNTRY IN ASIA AND ON THE GLOBE AND  
11 WE'RE HONORED THAT YOU HAVE BEEN POSTED HERE IN OUR COUNTY.  
12 CONGRATULATIONS AND WELCOME. [ APPLAUSE ]

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** LET ME AND YOU, CONSUL-GENERAL  
15 SUJONO, TO SAY A FEW WORDS, IF YOU WOULD.

16

17 **THE HONORABLE SUBIJAKSONO SUJONO:** HONORABLE CHAIRMAN AND  
18 MEMBERS OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,  
19 DISTINGUISHED GUESTS, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, IT IS INDEED MY  
20 GREAT HONOR TO BE HERE AMONG YOU. ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY  
21 GENERAL OF [ INAUDIBLE ] INDONESIA AND LOS ANGELES, I WOULD  
22 LIKE TO EXPRESS MY SINCERE THANKS AND APPRECIATION TO THE LOS  
23 ANGELES COUNTY FOR ITS KIND COOPERATION AND ITS COUNTY'S  
24 EFFORTS TO ENHANCE THE RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES.  
25 THE CONSULATE GENERAL OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA AND LOS



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1    ANGELES, WHICH I AM APPOINTED TO LEAD, HAS THE MISSION TO  
2    FACILITY DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS AND SERVE THE INDONESIAN  
3    COMMUNITY WITHIN THE UNITED STATES, OF THE UNITED STATES. THEY  
4    INCLUDE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, ARIZONA, NEVADA, UTAH, COLORADO,  
5    MONTANA, WYOMING, HAWAII AND THE PACIFIC ISLANDS. THE MISSION  
6    OF THE CONSULATE ITSELF INCLUDES PROMOTING ECONOMIC  
7    COOPERATION, INVESTMENT, ARTS AND CULTURE AND ALSO TO PROVIDE  
8    CONSULAR AND IMMIGRATION SERVICES. THE OPPORTUNITY TO ENHANCE  
9    OUR COOPERATION IS \_\_\_\_\_ OPEN FOR THE PROSPECTIVE  
10    FUTURE. IN THE ECONOMIC \_\_\_\_\_, FOR INSTANCE, WE  
11    HAVE OPPORTUNITY TO INCREASE VARIOUS \_\_\_\_\_ AND  
12    INVESTMENT COOPERATION. MOST OF \_\_\_\_\_ IS CHanneled  
13    TO LOS ANGELES AND THE SURROUNDING AREA, AMOUNTING TO  
14    APPROXIMATELY 40% OF OUR BILATERAL TRADE. SO IT IS MY FERVENT  
15    HOPE THAT THE MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL COOPERATION THAT HAS BEEN  
16    ESTABLISHED BETWEEN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND THE INDONESIAN  
17    CONSULAR GENERAL WOULD CONTINUE TO FLOURISH DURING MY TERM AS  
18    CONSUL-GENERAL OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA. IF THERE IS ANY  
19    NEED FROM THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES THAT IS WITHIN THE  
20    CONSULATE POWER TO AID, THE CONSULATE GENERAL OF INDONESIA IN  
21    LOS ANGELES WOULD BE MORE THAN HAPPY TO ASSIST. THANK YOU. [  
22    APPLAUSE ]  
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1   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THE BIGGEST BUDDHIST TEMPLE IN THE  
2   WORLD. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. IT'S GOOD TO BE THE CHAIR. [  
3   LAUGHTER ] THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SUPERVISOR KNABE.

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5   **SUP. KNABE:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, LADIES AND  
6   GENTLEMEN, I HAVE AN INCREDIBLE PRIVILEGE HERE THIS MORNING.  
7   I'M GOING TO CALL UP, ASK A LONG BEACH RESIDENT, MAYCIE  
8   HERRINGTON, TO JOIN US. ON MARCH 29TH, 2007, MAYCIE HERRINGTON  
9   RECEIVED THE CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL FROM THE PRESIDENT OF  
10   THE UNITED STATES. MAYCIE WORKED AS A CIVIL EMPLOYEE AT THE  
11   TUSKEGEE AIR FORCE BASE DURING WORLD WAR II FROM 1943 TO 1948  
12   WHILE HER HUSBAND, AARON HERRINGTON, WAS A FIGHTER PILOT  
13   STATIONED THERE. SHE BECAME A MEMBER OF OUR LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
14   FAMILY AFTER THE WAR AND WORKED IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL  
15   SERVICES FROM 1949 TO 1981. SINCE HER RETIREMENT, SHE HAS  
16   CONTINUED TO BE VERY ACTIVE IN THE LOS ANGELES CHAPTER OF THE  
17   TUSKEGEE AIRMEN NATIONAL ORGANIZATION AND HAS BEEN ITS  
18   SECRETARY SINCE 1998. SHE CONTINUES TO DEVOTE MANY HOURS OF  
19   COMMUNITY SERVICE AND HAS BEEN A POLL WORKER FOR OVER 40 YEARS  
20   FOR OUR COUNTY AND SHE HAS USED HER HOME AS A POLLING PLACE  
21   FOR OVER 25 YEARS. AS A MATTER OF FACT, MAYCIE SPENT LAST  
22   NOVEMBER 7TH, HER 88TH BIRTHDAY-- WHAT? OH, BOY, THAT'S  
23   BAD STAFF WORK. WE'RE AGING YOU THREE YEARS.

24

25   **MAYCIE HERRINGTON:** I'M...





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2 **SUP. KNABE:** 85TH BIRTHDAY, ACTUALLY, IN HER GARAGE WORKING THE  
3 GENERAL ELECTION. SO, ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,  
4 WE WANT TO COMMEND AND CONGRATULATE MAYCIE FOR RECEIVING THIS  
5 BEAUTIFUL MEDAL THAT SHE HAS WITH HER AND FOR HER 59 YEARS OF  
6 LOYAL AND DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES  
7 COUNTY. AND JUST TO HAVE AN IDEA HOW SPECIAL, THERE'S ONLY SO  
8 MANY OF THESE GOLD MEDALS, THEY'RE ALL MADE INDIVIDUALLY FOR  
9 THE RECIPIENTS BUT IT TAKES TWO-THIRDS OF THE MEMBERS OF  
10 CONGRESS TO EVEN BE NOMINATED, SO THIS IS A VERY, VERY SPECIAL  
11 PERSON, A VERY SPECIAL MEDAL. AS WE ALL KNOW HERE, YOU CAN'T  
12 GET TWO-THIRDS OF CONGRESS TO AGREE ON ANYTHING BUT THEY  
13 AGREED ON YOU. ALL RIGHT! SO, ANYWAY, LET'S GIVE HER A BIG  
14 ROUND OF APPLAUSE AND CONGRATULATIONS, MAYCIE HERRINGTON. [  
15 APPLAUSE ]

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17 **MAYCIE HERRINGTON:** I'D LIKE TO THANK THE COUNTY BOARD OF  
18 SUPERVISORS FOR HONORING ME TODAY AND PARTICULARLY MR. KNABE,  
19 WHO NOMINATED ME. I WAS THRILLED AND DELIGHTED TO HAVE THE  
20 OPPORTUNITY TO GO TO WASHINGTON, D.C., ALONG WITH MORE THAN  
21 300 OF THE ORIGINAL TUSKEGEE AIRMEN. I WAS SELECTED BECAUSE,  
22 DURING WORLD WAR II, I WAS A CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE ON THE TUSKEGEE  
23 ARMY AIR FORCE BASE. MY HUSBAND, AARON, WAS A FIGHTER PILOT.  
24 AARON ALSO WAS A COUNTY EMPLOYEE FOR 30 YEARS. I WAS A COUNTY  
25 EMPLOYEE FOR 32 YEARS. I THINK THAT PEOPLE WHO ARE FORTUNATE



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1 ENOUGH TO WORK FOR L.A. COUNTY ARE THE LUCKIEST PEOPLE THERE  
2 IS AND I JUST SINCERELY APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY TO RECEIVE  
3 THIS HONOR TODAY. AND I HAVE WITH ME MY DAUGHTER, ANN STEWART,  
4 WHO WAS BORN ON THE TUSKEGEE ARMY AIR FORCE BASE. ANN, WOULD  
5 YOU LIKE TO SAY HELLO? ANN DOESN'T WANT TO TELL YOU HELLO, SO  
6 I'LL SAY HELLO FOR HER AND THANK YOU AGAIN.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** CAN YOU SHOW THE MEDAL?

9

10 **MAYCIE HERRINGTON:** OH, YES. HERE'S THE MEDAL. SOMEONE ASKED ME  
11 IF YOU COULD WEAR IT AROUND YOUR NECK. I SAID I DON'T THINK  
12 SO.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** VERY HEAVY. VERY BEAUTIFUL. YOU'VE GOT TO SEE THE  
15 CALLIGRAPHERS DOWNSTAIRS WERE ABLE TO ACCESS A COPY OF THIS  
16 AND REPRODUCED IT ON THE SCROLL SO...

17

18 **MAYCIE HERRINGTON:** AND THE PRESIDENT STAYED THROUGH THE WHOLE  
19 CEREMONY.

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21 **SUP. KNABE:** TWO HOURS.

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23 **MAYCIE HERRINGTON:** THE WHOLE TWO-HOUR CEREMONY IN THE ROTUNDA.  
24 THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

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1   **MAYCIE HERRINGTON:** AND I MADE PICTURE CARDS OF THE ORIGINAL--  
2   SOME OF THE ORIGINAL TUSKEGEE AIRMEN AND I HAVE A SET FOR EACH  
3   MEMBER OF THE BOARD.

4

5   **SUP. KNABE:** VERY INTERESTING. NOT ONLY ARE THERE PICTURES AND  
6   THE NAMES AND EVERYTHING BUT, ON THE BACK IS THE HISTORICAL  
7   SIGNIFICANCE OF EACH MEMBER. ACTUALLY WE JUST FOUND OUT THIS  
8   MORNING ONE OF YVONNE'S-- SHE GREW UP ON THE STREET WITH ONE  
9   OF THE AIRMEN. IS THAT CORRECT?

10

11   **SUP. BURKE:** ONE OF THE AIRMEN LIVED DOWN THE STREET FROM ME.

12

13   **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU AGAIN. MAYCIE HERRINGTON. WOW. WHAT AN  
14   HONOR. NEXT, I'D LIKE TO CALL JORGE OROZCO AND MEMBERS OF THE  
15   RANCHO LOS AMIGOS STAFF TO COME UP AND JOIN ME. RANCHO  
16   CONTINUES TO BE NATIONALLY-- INTERNATIONALLY KNOWN AS A  
17   PIONEER IN RESEARCH AND INNOVATIVE TREATMENT. RANCHO IS ONE OF  
18   THOSE CROWNED JEWELS OF OUR COUNTY FAMILY AND HAS ALWAYS  
19   RANKED IN THE TOP 20 AMONG REHABILITATION MEDICAL CENTERS IN  
20   THE NATION BY U.S. WORLD NEWS AND REPORT AND IS THE ONLY TOP  
21   RATED CENTER IN CALIFORNIA. RANCHO'S CONTINUOUSLY RECOGNIZED  
22   DUE TO ITS EXCELLENT LEVEL OF SERVICE FROM STAFF, WHO WORK  
23   TIRELESSLY TO ASSIST OUR MOST VULNERABLE PATIENTS. IT IS  
24   THEREFORE NO SURPRISE THAT, ON MAY 24TH, 2007, RANCHO WAS ONCE  
25   AGAIN ACCREDITED FROM THE JOINT COMMISSION. IT'S A TRIBUTE TO



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1 ALL OF OUR RANCHO STAFF THAT RANCHO CONTINUES TO THRIVE IN THE  
2 AREA AND BE A LEADER IN THE AREA OF REHABILITATION. SO WE WANT  
3 TO PRESENT THIS SCROLL TO SAY THANK YOU AND RECOGNIZE THEIR--  
4 ONCE AGAIN, THEIR GREAT ACCOMPLISHMENT BUT ALSO WE JUST FOUND  
5 OUT THIS MORNING THAT RANCHO WAS RANKED 16TH IN THE COUNTRY IN  
6 REHABILITATION CENTERS, NUMBER 16 AGAIN, IN THE TOP 20 AND THE  
7 ONLY PUBLIC OR PRIVATE REHABILITATION HOSPITAL IN THE STATE OF  
8 CALIFORNIA TO BE SO RECOGNIZED. SO, JORGE, YOU'VE GOT A GREAT  
9 STAFF. CONGRATULATIONS TO EVERYONE OUT THERE. [ APPLAUSE ]

10

11 **SUP. KNABE:** RANCHO DOES IT AGAIN.

12

13 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** SUPERVISOR KNABE, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,  
14 THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR RECOGNIZING THE OUTSTANDING WORK THAT  
15 RANCHO HAS DONE. WE HAVE A GREAT TEAM OF LEADERS WHO ARE HERE  
16 TODAY THAT REPRESENT THE FINE WORK THAT THE ENTIRE  
17 ORGANIZATION DOES. WE'RE REALLY PROUD OF THE U.S. NEWS AND  
18 WORLD REPORT CITATION AND WE JUST WANT YOU ALL TO KEEP UP THE  
19 GOOD WORK AND WE APPRECIATE BEING RECOGNIZED. THANK YOU. [  
20 APPLAUSE ]

21

22 **JORGE OROZCO:** I JUST WANT TO SAY, ON BEHALF OF THE ALL THE  
23 STAFF WHO REALLY POUR THEIR HEART AND SOUL EVERY DAY IN THE  
24 WORK THAT WE DO AT RANCHO, WE REALLY APPRECIATE THIS HONOR  
25 FROM SUPERVISOR KNABE AND THE BOARD. THE VIBRANCY OF OUR



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1 COMMUNITY IS REALLY MEASURED BY THE PARTICIPATION OF THOSE WHO  
2 ARE MOST IN NEED, THOSE WHO ARE DISABLED, THOSE WHO ARE  
3 DISENFRANCHISED AND I WANT TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
4 FOR THEIR ONGOING COMMITMENT TO ENSURING THE VIBRANCY OF L.A.  
5 COUNTY. THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA? I DON'T THINK  
8 SHE HAS ANY PRESENTATIONS. SUPERVISOR BURKE.

9

10 **SUP. BURKE:** I'D LIKE TO CALL FORWARD CARLOS JACKSON, LINDA  
11 ALEXANDER, BABECK LOVER AND THE SCHOLARSHIP HONOREES. THE LOS  
12 ANGELES COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION HAS NAMED  
13 THEIR 2007 HOUSING AUTHORITY RESIDENT SCHOLARSHIP AWARDEES.  
14 LEANDRA ORDORICA, NHAN LY, ABEL LAM, NINANTE JOHNSON, MARIA  
15 ELENA LARA, ALEXIS MOODY AND TRACI HARRIS. THESE INDIVIDUALS  
16 WERE SELECTED BASED ON THEIR GRADE POINT AVERAGE, LETTERS OF  
17 RECOMMENDATION, PERSONAL ESSAYS AND AUTOBIOGRAPHIES  
18 HIGHLIGHTING THEIR INTERESTS AND CAREER GOALS. THE AWARDS  
19 RANGE FROM \$1,000 TO \$1,500 AND CAN BE USED FOR COLLEGE OR  
20 TRADE SCHOOL TUITION, FEES, BOOKS, AND OTHER EDUCATIONAL  
21 NEEDS. THE SCHOLARSHIP, ESTABLISHED IN 1996 BY THE EMPLOYEES  
22 OF L.A. COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES HOUSING AUTHORITY, PROVIDES  
23 INDIVIDUAL SCHOLARSHIPS TO RESIDENTS LIVING IN THE HOUSING  
24 AUTHORITY'S L.A. COUNTY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AND SECTION 8  
25 PROGRAMS. SINCE 2001, THE C.D.F. HAS ADMINISTERED 65,000 IN



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1 SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS TO 98 INDIVIDUALS. THE RECIPIENTS WILL BE  
2 PRESENTED WITH THEIR AWARDS AT THE L.A. COUNTY HOUSING  
3 COMMISSION MEETING ON JULY 25TH. IT'S WITH GREAT PLEASURE THAT  
4 I PRESENT THESE SCROLLS TO THE HONOREES, THE SCHOLARSHIP  
5 RECIPIENTS AND, FIRST, I'M GOING TO CALL UP ALEXIS MOODY.  
6 CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU. WHERE ARE YOU GOING TO SCHOOL?

7

8 **ALEXIS MOODY:** ANTELOPE VALLEY COLLEGE.

9

10 **SUP. BURKE:** ANTELOPE VALLEY COLLEGE. CONGRATULATIONS. [  
11 APPLAUSE ]

12

13 **SUP. BURKE:** MARIA ELENA LARA. AND YOU'RE GOING WHERE?

14

15 **MARIA ELENA LARA:** TO EAST LOS ANGELES COLLEGE.

16

17 **SUP. BURKE:** AND SHE GOES TO EAST LOS ANGELES COLLEGE.  
18 CONGRATULATIONS. NINANTE JOHNSON. AND YOU'RE GOING TO SCHOOL  
19 WHERE?

20

21 **NINANTE JOHNSON:** UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA SANTA CRUZ.

22

23 **SUP. BURKE:** AND HE'S GOING TO U.C.-SANTA CRUZ.  
24 CONGRATULATIONS. [ APPLAUSE ]

25





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1   **SUP. BURKE:** AND ABEL LAM. COULDN'T MAKE IT? ALL RIGHT. AND  
2   NHAN LY. DID I PRONOUNCE THAT RIGHT? AND YOU'RE GOING TO  
3   SCHOOL WHERE?

4

5   **NHAN LY:** (OFF-MIKE) .

6

7   **SUP. BURKE:** OKAY. AND SHE JUST GRADUATED FROM CAL STATE-L.A.  
8   AND SHE'S GOING TO GO WHERE?

9

10   **NHAN LY:** A.P.U.

11

12   **SUP. BURKE:** A.P.U. CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

13

14   **SUP. BURKE:** AND TRACI HARRIS. LET'S SEE. GET OVER HERE. AND,  
15   TRACI, WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

16

17   **TRACI HARRIS:** LOS ANGELES SOUTHWEST COLLEGE.

18

19   **SUP. BURKE:** L.A.-SOUTHWEST COLLEGE. GREAT. AND DO YOU WANT TO  
20   SAY A WORD?

21

22   **SPEAKER:** I JUST WANTED TO CONGRATULATE ALL OF YOU ON YOUR  
23   SUCCESS IN YOUR ENDEAVORS IN YOUR SCHOOL. THIS REALLY IS PART  
24   OF WHAT WE DO AND WE STRIVE TO DO AT THE FOUNDATION, SO BEST



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1 OF SUCCESS AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING ALL ABOUT YOU IN  
2 YOUR FUTURE.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE:** CONGRATULATIONS.

5

6 **CARLOS JACKSON:** MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, SUPERVISOR BURKE, IT'S  
7 BEEN SINCE 2001 THAT THE COMMUNITY OF COMMISSION EMPLOYEES  
8 HAVE ENDEAVORED TO RAISE SCHOLARSHIP MONEY FOR SOME OF THE  
9 RECIPIENTS WHO ARE LIVING IN OUR HOUSING AUTHORITY SECTION 8  
10 AS WELL. AND IT'S ALWAYS A PLEASURE AT THIS TIME TO PRESENT  
11 THE SCHOLARSHIPS BECAUSE I, TOO, BELIEVE THAT, IF  
12 OPPORTUNITIES ARE CREATED, PEOPLE WILL TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THAT  
13 AND BE POSITIVE MODELS FOR THE FUTURE. AND, ON MY BEHALF, I'D  
14 ALSO LIKE TO CONGRATULATE THE WINNERS OF THE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR  
15 THIS YEAR.

16

17 **SUP. BURKE:** WE'RE GOING TO TAKE A PICTURE WITH ALL THE BOARD.  
18 DON, WE'RE GOING TO TAKE A PICTURE.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YVONNE, IS THAT IT?

21

22 **SUP. BURKE:** THAT CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION.

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1   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I HAVE ONE MORE. ACTUALLY, IT'S A  
2   PRESENTATION TO ME, I BELIEVE, FROM STEVE ROSEMARIN AND THE  
3   JEWISH WAR VETERANS. STEVE, BRING YOUR DELEGATION UP HERE.

4

5   **STEVE ROSEMARIN:** MR. CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ZEV  
6   YAROSLAVSKY, IT'S AN HONOR AND A PRIVILEGE TO PRESENT TO YOU  
7   THE BERT HERMAN CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD FROM THE JEWISH WAR  
8   VETERANS. IT IS ONE OF OUR MOST PRESTIGIOUS AWARDS AND IT'S IN  
9   RECOGNITION OF THE TREMENDOUS JOB THAT YOU HAVE BEEN DOING  
10   WITH VETERAN'S ISSUES AND WITH SOMETHING THAT TOOK PLACE A  
11   COUPLE WEEKS AGO WHEN WE FINALLY BROKE GROUND FOR THE NEW  
12   VETERANS HOME AND JUST LAST THURSDAY AT AMY FISHER HOUSE AND  
13   YOUR ACTIVITIES AS THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD AND ALSO RALLYING  
14   MANY, MANY OF THE OTHER INDIVIDUALS TO MAKE SURE THAT THAT  
15   PROPERTY REMAINS IN THE HANDS OF THE VETERANS AND I HAVE ALSO  
16   WITH ME TODAY OTIS BLAKE, WHO IS THE AWARD CHAIRMAN. ALSO, HE  
17   IS OUR NATIONAL HOMELESS CHAIRMAN OF THE JEWISH WAR VETERANS  
18   AND WE KNOW THAT THE EXCELLENT WORK YOU'VE DONE... (OFF-  
19   MIKE)... THERE AT THE PROPERTY AND IT'S OUR PRIVILEGE TO  
20   PRESENT TO YOU THE BERT HERMANN CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD TO  
21   ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, SUPERVISOR OF THE THIRD DISTRICT, LOS ANGELES  
22   COUNTY, FOR HIS OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP AND COMMITMENT TO THE  
23   COMMUNITY, PRESENTED-- ORIGINALLY, WE HAD THIS PRESENTED AT  
24   PALM SPRINGS AND YOU COULDN'T MAKE IT FOR OTHER PRESSING



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1 BUSINESS, ON THE 30TH DAY OF JUNE, 2007, STEVE ROSEMARY,  
2 COMMANDER, OTIS BLAKE, AWARDS CHAIRMAN. [ APPLAUSE ]

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. STEVE, LET ME  
5 JUST FIRST OF ALL THANK YOU FOR COMING DOWN TODAY BECAUSE I  
6 HAD INTENDED TO GO TO PALM SPRINGS AND PICK THIS UP BECAUSE I  
7 WAS VERY HONORED AND TOUCHED THAT THE JEWISH WAR VETERANS  
8 WOULD HONOR ME AND, THROUGH ME, MY STAFF, FLORA, GIL  
9 CHRISOLOPH AND OUR ENTIRE OFFICE, WHICH HAS BEEN FIGHTING SO  
10 HARD, AS WELL AS MY COLLEAGUES. I WANT TO THANK MY COLLEAGUES.  
11 THERE'S BEEN NO DIFFERENCE OF OPINION HERE ON THE ISSUE OF  
12 PRESERVING THE VETERANS ADMINISTRATION IN WEST LOS ANGELES FOR  
13 VETERAN SERVICES AND WE'RE GOING TO PREVAIL ON THAT STRUGGLE  
14 BUT I'M HONORED AND TOUCHED THAT YOU'VE RECOGNIZED US IN THIS  
15 WAY AND THAT YOU WOULD COME DOWN THREE WEEKS LATE TO DO THIS  
16 BECAUSE I COULDN'T MAKE IT OUT TO PALM SPRINGS. THIS WILL  
17 OCCUPY A SPECIAL PLACE IN OUR OFFICE. THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH.  
18 [ APPLAUSE ]

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. NOW WE CAN GET BACK TO  
21 THE AGENDA.

22

23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** TODAY IS THE PUBLIC HEARING DAY. WOULD YOU  
24 LIKE TO START WITH THAT?

25



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1    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YES. GO AHEAD. YOU'RE ON.

2

3    **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NUMBER 1. THIS IS THE HEARING ON  
4    ADOPTION OF A ORDINANCE AMENDING THE COUNTY CODE, TITLE 1,  
5    GENERAL PROVISIONS, MAKING A TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENT TO THE  
6    BOUNDARIES OF THE FIRST AND FOURTH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS TO  
7    TRANSFER AMIGO COUNTY PARK FROM THE FIRST DISTRICT TO THE  
8    FOURTH DISTRICT. NO WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE WAS PRESENTED ON  
9    THIS MATTER.

10

11    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS THERE ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE  
12    WANTS TO BE HEARD ON ITEM NUMBER 1? IF NOT, DO WE HAVE A CARD?

13

14    **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** NO, WE DO NOT. ON ITEM NUMBER 1, WE DO NOT.

15

16    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THEN I WOULD CLOSE THE PUBLIC  
17    HEARING. MR. KNABE MOVES, MS. MOLINA SECONDS. WITHOUT  
18    OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

19

20    **SUP. KNABE:** MR. CHAIRMAN?

21

22    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YES?

23

24    **SUP. KNABE:** WOULD IT BE APPROPRIATE TO-- THERE'S SOMEBODY NEW  
25    SITTING IN THAT NEW C.E.O. CHAIR.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YES. THANK YOU. [ LIGHT LAUGHTER ]

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. LET'S WELCOME BILL

5 FUJIOKA, OUR NEW C.E.O. [ APPLAUSE ]

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU FOR STRAIGHTENING ME

8 OUT, DON. BEEN HERE SO LONG, WE'RE ALREADY USED TO YOU, BILL.

9 IT'S AN ENTIRE WEEKEND. WE HAVEN'S HAD A SINGLE CRISIS. YOU'RE

10 ON A ROLL. WELCOME. WE HAD A GREAT SWEARING IN FOR BILL ON

11 FRIDAY AND I THINK EVERYONE IS LOOKING FORWARD TO WORKING WITH

12 YOU AND YOUR REPUTATION PRECEDES YOU, SO WE'RE REALLY LOOKING

13 FORWARD TO THE PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN THE BOARD AND YOU AND YOUR

14 OFFICE. WELCOME, BILL. WOULD YOU LIKE TO SAY ANYTHING AT THIS

15 POINT?

16

17 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** NO, NO, NO.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S THE LAST CHANCE YOU'RE EVER

20 GOING TO HAVE. [ LAUGHTER ]

21

22 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I'VE TOLD EVERYONE, JUST TIME TO GET TO WORK.

23 THANK YOU.

24

25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANKS, DON. NEXT ITEM, ITEM 2.





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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND I APOLOGIZE. CAN WE GO BACK? ON ITEMS 2  
3 THROUGH 12, ALL THOSE WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE BOARD,  
4 PLEASE STAND AND RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND TO BE SWORN IN. ANYBODY  
5 IN THE AUDIENCE.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YES, THERE ARE A COUPLE. [  
8 ADMINISTERING OATH ]

9

10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU. YOU MAY BE SEATED. BACK TO ITEM  
11 NUMBER 2. THIS IS THE HEARING ON ANNEXATION OF APPROVED  
12 TENTATIVE SUBDIVISION TERRITORIES TO COUNTY LIGHTING  
13 MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687 AND 1697 AND COUNTY LIGHTING  
14 DISTRICT L.L.A.-1, UNINCORPORATED AND CARSON ZONES AND THE  
15 LEVYING OF ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THE ANNEXED TERRITORIES FOR  
16 STREET LIGHTING PURPOSES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008/2009. NO WRITTEN  
17 CORRESPONDENCE WAS PRESENTED ON THIS MATTER.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SEEING NO ONE...

20

21 **RICHARD WEISS:** I'M SORRY, MR. CHAIRMAN, WE DO HAVE A STAFF  
22 PRESENTATION.

23

24 **RANDINE RUIZ:** MY NAME IS RANDINE RUIZ AND I'M A SENIOR CIVIL  
25 ENGINEER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I'M FAMILIAR WITH



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1 THESE PROCEEDINGS FOR THE ANNEXATION TO LIGHTING MAINTENANCE  
2 DISTRICTS 1687, 1697 AND L.L.A.-1, UNINCORPORATED ZONE AND  
3 CARSON ZONE AND LEVYING AND COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS FOR THE  
4 FIVE TENTATIVE SUBDIVISIONS REFERENCED IN THE BOARD LETTER.  
5 THE CONSENT AND JURISDICTION OF THE CITY OF CARSON HAS BEEN  
6 OBTAINED FOR THE ONE TENTATIVE SUBDIVISION WITHIN THAT CITY.  
7 IN MY OPINION, THE TENTATIVE SUBDIVISIONS WILL BE BENEFITED BY  
8 THE ANNEXATION AND THE SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED AND THE PROPOSED  
9 ASSESSMENTS HAVE BEEN SPREAD IN PROPORTION TO BENEFIT. WE ARE  
10 ALSO RECOMMENDING THAT YOUR BOARD ACCEPT THE NEGOTIATED  
11 EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY TAX REVENUES FOR THE NONEXEMPT TAXING  
12 AGENCIES AND THAT YOUR BOARD ACCEPT THE PROPOSED EXCHANGE FOR  
13 THE WEST VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT, WHICH FAILED TO RETURN AND  
14 ADOPT A JOINT RESOLUTION.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SACHI?

17

18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MR. CHAIRMAN, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE AT  
19 THIS TIME TO CLOSE THE HEARING, DIRECT THE TABULATION OF THE  
20 BALLOTS AND TABLE THE ITEM UNTIL LATER IN THE MEETING FOR  
21 TABULATION RESULTS AND ACTION BY YOUR BOARD.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I WOULD SO MOVE. SECONDED BY MR.  
24 KNABE. THE MATTER WILL BE TABLED UNTIL THE TABULATION OF THE  
25 VOTES. NEXT ITEM.



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**CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 3, THIS IS THE HEARING ON  
THE LEVYING AND COLLECTION OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS FOR COUNTY  
LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING ACT DISTRICTS NUMBER 1, 2 AND 4 AND  
ZONES THEREIN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007/2008 FOR LANDSCAPE AND PARK  
MAINTENANCE PURPOSES, ALSO TO INCREASE THE EXISTING RATES IN  
L.L.A. DISTRICTS NUMBERS 2 AND 4 AND TO ADD A NEW CONSUMER  
PRICE INDEX ADJUSTMENT COMPONENT. NO WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE  
WAS PRESENTED ON THIS MATTER AND I BELIEVE THERE'S DEPARTMENT  
PRESENTATION.

11

**SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** STAFF?

13

**PATRICK MALEKIAN:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS  
PATRICK MALEKIAN AND I'M THE ADMINISTRATOR OF SPECIAL  
DISTRICTS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION. I'M  
FAMILIAR WITH THESE PROCEEDINGS FOR LEVY OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS  
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007/2008 WITHIN LANDSCAPING LIGHTING ACTS  
DISTRICTS NUMBER 1, 2 AND 4 AND THEIR EXISTING LEVELS FOR ALL  
ZONES. EXCEPT FOR PROPOSED INCREASES IN DISTRICT NUMBER 4,  
ZONE 68, 69, AND 77 AND PROPOSED INCREASES AND THE ADDITION OF  
A NEW C.P.I. ADJUSTMENT MECHANISM IN DISTRICT NUMBER TWO  
ZONES, 37, 40, 48 AND 56. IN MY OPINION, ALL THE AREAS WITHIN  
L.L.A.'S AREA 1, 2 AND 4 WILL BE BENEFITED BY SERVICE TO BE  
PERFORMED. IN MY OPINION, THE PROPOSED ASSESSMENT WITHIN THE



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1 ZONES FOR WHICH NO INCREASES ARE PROPOSED CONTINUE TO BE  
2 SPREAD IN PROPORTION TO BENEFIT. IN MY OPINION, THE PROPOSED  
3 INCREASES IN THE THREE IDENTIFIED ZONES WITHIN DISTRICT NUMBER  
4 4 AND THE PROPOSED INCREASE AND ADDITION OF A NEW C.P.I.  
5 ADJUSTMENT MECHANISM IN THE FOUR IDENTIFIED ZONES WITHIN  
6 DISTRICT NUMBER 2 ARE NECESSARY IN ORDER TO PROVIDE FOR  
7 INCREASED MAINTENANCE AND REPLACEMENT COST. AND THIS INCREASE  
8 WILL BE SPREAD IN PROPORTION TO BENEFIT. WE HAVE RECEIVED NO  
9 WRITTEN PROTESTS TO THE PROPOSED LEVY OF THE ANNUAL  
10 ASSESSMENTS FOR L.L.A. DISTRICTS NUMBERS 1, 2 AND 4. IN THE  
11 EVENT ANY OF THE PROPOSED INCREASES IN THE 7 IDENTIFIED ZONES  
12 RECEIVE A MAJORITY PROTEST, WE ARE RECOMMENDING THAT THE BOARD  
13 IMPOSE THE ASSESSMENTS IN SUCH ZONES AT THE EXISTING LEVELS  
14 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007/2008.

15

16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MR. CHAIRMAN, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE AT  
17 THIS TIME TO CLOSE THE HEARING, DIRECT THE TABULATION OF THE  
18 BALLOTS AND SCHEDULE JULY 31ST, 2007, FOR TABULATION RESULTS  
19 AND ACTION BY YOUR BOARD.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I WILL SO MOVE. SECONDED BY BURKE.  
22 WITHOUT OBJECTION, THAT WILL BE THE ORDER.

23

24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 4, THIS IS A HEARING ON  
25 CONFIRMATION OF THE 2006/2007 WEED ABATEMENT CHARGES TO BE



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1 ASSESSED TO OWNERS OF UNIMPROVED PARCELS WHICH WERE DECLARED  
2 TO BE OVERGROWN WITH HAZARDOUS WEEDS, BRUSH AND RUBBISH AND  
3 REQUIRED ABATEMENT ENFORCEMENT. NO WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE WAS  
4 PRESENTED ON THIS MATTER.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS THERE ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE  
7 WHO WANTS TO BE HEARD ON ITEM NUMBER 4? SEEING NONE, THE  
8 PUBLIC HEARING IS CLOSED. MS. BURKE MOVES, MS. MOLINA SECONDS.  
9 WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE. ITEM 5?

10

11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 5, THIS IS THE HEARING ON  
12 CONFIRMATION OF THE 2006/2007 HAZARDOUS VEGETATION ABATEMENT  
13 COSTS TO BE ASSESSED TO OWNERS OF IMPROVED PARCELS WHICH WERE  
14 DECLARED A NUISANCE DUE TO EXCESSIVE HAZARDOUS BRUSH, DRY  
15 GRASS, WEEDS, COMBUSTIBLE GROWTH OR FLAMMABLE VEGETATION,  
16 INCLUDING NATIVE OR ORNAMENTAL VEGETATION AND REQUIRED  
17 ABATEMENT ENFORCEMENT. NO WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE WAS PRESENTED  
18 ON THIS MATTER.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. IF THERE'S NO ONE IN THE  
21 AUDIENCE WHO WISHES TO BE HEARD ON THIS ITEM, SEEING NONE, THE  
22 PUBLIC HEARING IS CLOSED. KNABE MOVES, MOLINA SECONDS. WITHOUT  
23 OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NUMBER 6, THIS IS THE HEARING TO  
2 CONSIDER AN INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF BOARD MEMBERS FROM THREE  
3 TO SEVEN FOR THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE LANCASTER CEMETERY  
4 DISTRICT. NO WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE WAS PRESENTED ON THIS  
5 MATTER.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS THERE ANYBODY WANTS TO BE HEARD  
8 ON THIS ITEM? SEEING NONE, THE PUBLIC HEARING IS CLOSED.  
9 MOLINA MOVES, KNABE SECONDS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS  
10 VOTE.

11

12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NUMBER 7. THIS IS THE HEARING TO  
13 PURCHASE REAL PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF  
14 THE COUNTY ADJACENT TO CHESTER WASHINGTON GOLF COURSE FROM  
15 UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY. NO WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE WAS  
16 PRESENTED ON THIS MATTER.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. IS THERE ANYBODY IN THE  
19 AUDIENCE WANTS TO BE HEARD ON THIS ITEM? IF NOT, THE PUBLIC  
20 HEARING IS CLOSED. WHAT ARE THE SOURCES OF THE FUNDS? BURKE  
21 MOVES, MOLINA SECONDS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

22

23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NUMBER 8. THIS IS THE HEARING ON  
24 PROPOSED SALE OF UNDEVELOPED REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT THE





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1 HOLLYWOOD BOWL TO PAUL OAKENFOLD AND MICHAEL E. MILLS. NO  
2 CORRESPONDENCE WAS PRESENTED ON THIS MATTER.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS THERE ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE  
5 WHO WANTS TO BE HEARD ON THIS ITEM? IF NOT, THE PUBLIC HEARING  
6 IS CLOSED. I WILL MOVE, MOLINA SECONDS. WITHOUT OBJECTION,  
7 UNANIMOUS VOTE ON ITEM NUMBER 8. NEXT ITEM.

8

9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 9, THIS IS THE HEARING ON  
10 PROPOSED SALE OF UNDEVELOPED REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT THE JOHN  
11 ANSON FORD AMPHITHEATER TO ROBERT VINCENT BUCK. NO WRITTEN  
12 CORRESPONDENCE WAS PRESENTED ON THIS MATTER.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS THERE ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE  
15 WANTS TO BE HEARD ON THIS ITEM? IF NOT, THE PUBLIC HEARING IS  
16 CLOSED. I'LL MOVE. BURKE SECONDS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS  
17 VOTE.

18

19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NUMBER 10. THIS IS THE HEARING TO  
20 GRANT A 15 YEAR COUNTYWIDE WATER PIPELINE FRANCHISE TO WALNUT  
21 PARK MUTUAL WATER COMPANY. NO WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE WAS  
22 PRESENTED ON THIS MATTER

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1   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE WHO WANTS  
2   TO BE HEARD ON THIS ITEM? IF NOT, THE PUBLIC HEARING IS  
3   CLOSED. KNABE MOVES, MOLINA SECONDS. UNANIMOUS VOTE.

4

5   **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NUMBER 11, THIS IS THE HEARING ON  
6   AMENDMENTS TO THE COUNTY CODE TITLE 8 CONSUMER PROTECTION AND  
7   BUSINESS REGULATIONS AND TITLE 11, HEALTH AND SAFETY, TO  
8   ESTABLISH A WHOLESALE FOOD MARKET COMPLEX ANNUAL FEE,  
9   ESTABLISH STANDARDS FOR WHOLESALE FOOD ESTABLISHMENTS AND  
10   VEHICLES, ESTABLISH WHOLESALE FOOD HANDLERS TRAINING  
11   CERTIFICATION STANDARDS, DELETE REFERENCES TO RETAIL FOOD  
12   FACILITIES AND VEHICLES, DELETE CHAPTER 11.18 HAWKERS AND MAKE  
13   OTHER TECHNICAL CHANGES. NO WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE WAS  
14   PRESENTED ON THIS MATTER.

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16   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ANYONE IN THE AUDIENCE WHO WISHES  
17   TO BE HEARD ON ITEM NUMBER 11? SEEING NONE, THE HEARING IS  
18   CLOSED. MOLINA MOVES, KNABE SECONDS. UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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20   **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NUMBER 12, THIS IS THE HEARING ON  
21   AMENDMENTS TO THE COUNTY CODE, TITLE 8, CONSUMER PROTECTION  
22   AND BUSINESS REGULATIONS AND TITLE 20, UTILITIES TO INCREASE  
23   PUBLIC HEALTH LICENSE PERMIT AND SERVICE FEES. NO WRITTEN  
24   CORRESPONDENCE WAS PRESENTED ON THIS MATTER.

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1   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ANYONE IN THE AUDIENCE WHO WISHES  
2   TO BE HEARD ON THIS ITEM? IF NOT...

3

4   **SUP. KNABE:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I HAVE A COUPLE QUESTIONS.

5

6   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WE'LL CLOSE THE PUBLIC  
7   HEARING. MR. KNABE?

8

9   **SUP. KNABE:** I GUESS THE CONCERN ONCE AGAIN SORT OF BECOMES AN  
10   AUTOMATIC PROCESS HERE AS IT RELATES TO THESE FEE INCREASES  
11   BUT THEN THE DEPARTMENT TRYING TO RECOVER THE REVENUE DUE TO  
12   SOME INCREASED SERVICE COSTS BUT I THINK THERE ALSO HAS TO BE  
13   SOME FAIR GIVE AND TAKE. AND, BY DOING THIS BEFORE US TODAY,  
14   THESE INSPECTION FEES HAVE BEEN RAISED BY 23% OVER THE COURSE  
15   OF FIVE YEARS. 23%, IN REALITY, IN THE LAST THREE YEARS AND SO  
16   WE'RE REALLY ASKING THE RESTAURANT FOLKS TO ONCE AGAIN PAY THE  
17   BRUNT OF THESE INCREASES AND PARTICULARLY WHAT MY CONCERN IS  
18   IS THE SMALL OR RESTAURANT TYPES, NOT THE LARGE CHAINS BUT THE  
19   SMALL MOM AND POP KINDS OF RESTAURANTS AND THE IMPACT TO THEIR  
20   BUSINESS. SO BEFORE I AGREE TO ANOTHER INCREASE OF 5% NEXT  
21   YEAR, I REALLY WANT TO KNOW FROM THE C.E.O. IF ENVIRONMENTAL  
22   HEALTH IS OPERATING THE MOST COST EFFICIENT WAY POSSIBLE AND  
23   WHETHER YEARLY INCREASES OF THIS NATURE ARE DISPROPORTIONATELY  
24   HARMFUL TO SMALL, LOCALLY OWNED RESTAURANTS. SO I THINK THAT--  
25   I WAS PREPARED TO BRING IN A MOTION. DO WE HAVE A MOTION?



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1 OKAY. WELL, WE WILL HAVE A MOTION FOR NEXT WEEK, THEN, TO SEE  
2 WHAT WE CAN DO TO GET A REPORT BACK NEXT YEAR BEFORE WE MOVE  
3 FORWARD ONCE AGAIN WITH THIS ONGOING THING TO SEE WHAT THE  
4 IMPACT IS, BECAUSE 23% IN THREE YEARS IS A PRETTY GOOD HIT AND  
5 PARTICULARLY FOR THE MOM AND POP RESTAURANTS AND TO SEE WHAT  
6 WE CAN OR CAN'T DO TO, YOU KNOW, GIVE AND TAKE AND MAYBE  
7 THERE'S THRESHOLDS THAT WE CAN DEAL WITH THE VARIOUS NUMBER OF  
8 EMPLOYEES, SIZE OF RESTAURANTS, THOSE KINDS OF THINGS.

9

10 **WILLIAM T. FUJIOKA, C.E.O.:** IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THERE'S A  
11 SCALE BASED ON I THINK THE NUMBER OF SEATS WITHIN A RESTAURANT  
12 AND SO THE SMALLER RESTAURANTS PAY A MUCH SMALLER FEE THAN  
13 YOUR LARGER ONES BUT WE'D BE HAPPY TO COME BACK AND WE CAN SET  
14 THE TIME PERIOD FOR US TO REPORT ON THE APPROPRIATENESS OF  
15 THIS FEE INCREASE BUT ALSO TO GIVE YOU INFORMATION OR MEET  
16 WITH YOUR STAFF EVEN TO PROVIDE IT TO THIS OPEN FORUM, A SCALE  
17 THAT HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED TO ENSURE THAT THE SMALLER  
18 RESTAURANTS DON'T BEAR A LARGER BURDEN THAN THE LARGER ONES.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT ARE YOU ASKING FOR, THEN?

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** JUST THAT THEY'LL COME BACK. JUST ASKING FOR A  
23 REPORT BACK, YOU KNOW. ACTUALLY, I MEAN, NOT IN THE NEAR  
24 FUTURE BUT WHAT WE'LL BE LOOKING FOR IS, PRIOR TO ANY REQUEST  
25 FOR AN INCREASE NEXT YEAR, THAT WE HAVE THAT DISCUSSION.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO YOU'RE NOT HOLDING IT THIS  
3 YEAR?

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5 **SUP. KNABE:** NO.

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7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. GOTCHA.

8

9 **WILLIAM T. FUJIOKA, C.E.O.:** WE'LL DO THAT.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** GREAT. WITHOUT OBJECTION, MR.  
12 KNABE'S MOTION IS APPROVED AND WE HAVE THE ITEM BEFORE US.  
13 BURKE MOVES, MOLINA SECONDS. UNANIMOUS VOTE ON ITEM 12.

14

15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND THAT COMPLETES THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS  
16 EXCEPT FOR THE ITEM THAT WAS TABLED FOR LATER IN THE MEETING,  
17 ITEM NUMBER 2.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** LET ME JUST MAKE A COUPLE OF  
20 ADJOURNING MOTIONS AND READ IN SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AS WELL.  
21 THESE ARE MY ADJOURNING MOTIONS. I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE  
22 ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF AARON BLOOM, LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF  
23 THE THIRD DISTRICT AND NOTED AERONAUTICAL ENGINEER, DESIGNER  
24 AND INVENTOR OF FLIGHT SAFETY EQUIPMENT WHO RECENTLY PASSED  
25 AWAY. IN ADDITION TO HIS NUMEROUS PROFESSIONAL



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1 ACCOMPLISHMENTS, HE WAS DEEPLY INVOLVED IN HIS RELIGIOUS  
2 COMMUNITY AND SERVED AS THE PAST PRESIDENT OF BETH JACOB  
3 CONGREGATION IN BEVERLY HILLS. WITH HIS WIFE, RICKIE, HE CO-  
4 FOUNDED ETTA ISRAEL CENTER, A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION DEDICATED  
5 TO ASSISTING DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED CHILDREN. HE IS SURVIVED  
6 BY HIS WIFE, RICKIE, DAUGHTER, LYDIA SUSSMAN, THREE SONS,  
7 BRUCE, STEWART AND RICHARD AND RICHARD, OF COURSE, IS THE  
8 MAYOR OF SANTA MONICA, RICHARD BLOOM, ALONG WITH 11  
9 GRANDCHILDREN, 5 GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN. AND ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN  
10 IN THE MEMORY OF RAND FEINSTEIN, A MEMBER OF THE COMMUNITY--  
11 RESIDENT OF THE THIRD DISTRICT WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE EARLY  
12 AGE OF 48 AFTER AN ILLNESS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, DONNA  
13 AND HIS TWO CHILDREN, ELLIOTT AND IZZY. ON BEHALF OF  
14 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF PIO  
15 ESPINO, AN EMPLOYEE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY ASSESSOR'S OFFICE  
16 FOR 17 YEARS WHO PASSED AWAY ON JULY 14TH. RALPH GRANADO, WHO  
17 WAS AN EMPLOYEE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY ASSESSOR'S OFFICE FOR 34  
18 YEARS, WHO PASSED AWAY ON JULY 20TH. ALSO ADJOURN IN THE  
19 MEMORY OF KENNETH WAYNE ZINC, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 82  
20 AND IS SURVIVED BY HIS CHILDREN, WAYNE AND RICK. LOIS MARIE  
21 ASHE, ADMINISTRATOR WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BUILDING AND  
22 SAFETY DEPARTMENT FOR OVER 20 YEARS. MARGARET BARBOSA, WHO  
23 WORKED FOR THE CITY OF IRWINDALE FOR 28 YEARS AS A FORMER CITY  
24 CLERK AND CITY TREASURER.

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1    **SUP. KNABE:** I'D LIKE TO JOIN IN BARBOSA.

2

3    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. MR. KNABE WILL JOIN IN THAT.

4    DONALD LEROY YOUNGER, JR., PASSED AWAY ON JULY 2ND, SERVED IN

5    THE AIR FORCE DURING THE KOREAN WAR. MOVED HIS FAMILY TO

6    PALMDALE IN 1969, RETIRED FROM PACIFIC BELL IN 1986. AND

7    PASSED AWAY SUDDENLY EARLIER THIS MONTH, JULY 2ND. LINDA

8    MAIDMONT, WHO DIED ON JULY THE 8TH AT THE AGE OF 56. SISTER-

9    IN-LAW OF ROSA GONZALEZ WHO WORKS AT THE M.T.A. ALL MEMBERS ON

10   THAT. RUTH STANDERFER, GRADUATE OF ST. JOHN'S HOSPITAL AND

11   FRESNO STATE UNIVERSITY. RUTH HAD 40 YEARS OF DEDICATED

12   SERVICE IN THE FIELD OF NURSING AND PUBLIC HEALTH. SHE PASSED

13   AWAY ON JULY 17TH. THOSE ARE ALL THE ADJOURNING MOTIONS FOR ME

14   AND FOR MR. ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE. DO

15   WE HAVE AN ANSWER ON ITEM 16, THE TIMING ISSUE?

16

17   **SUP. KNABE:** MY UNDERSTANDING, THERE'S NO RUSH. IT'S NOT EVEN

18   MADE THE ASSEMBLY SITE YET, IS THAT CORRECT?

19

20   **WILLIAM T. FUJIOKA, C.E.O.:** NO, IT HASN'T MADE THE ASSEMBLY.

21   IT'S WAITING FOR A THIRD READING IN THE SENATE. THE SENATE

22   WILL COME BACK WITHIN THE NEXT DAY OR SO TO CONSIDER THE

23   BUDGET BUT WE KNOW THEY'LL ONLY FOCUS ON THE BUDGET, SO

24   CONTINUING IT FOR ONE WEEK IS FINE.

25





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1   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, ITEM 16 WILL BE  
2   CONTINUED FOR ONE WEEK THEN. ITEM 17? WHO HELD 17? SUPERVISOR  
3   KNABE? AND THERE'S A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC WHO WANTED TO BE  
4   HEARD ON THIS. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. LET'S HEAR FROM THE  
5   PUBLIC, IF THAT'S ALL RIGHT FIRST. MICHAEL LEIGHS AND GABRIELE  
6   HOOKS. OKAY. WHICHEVER ONE OF YOU WANTS TO GO-- MICHAEL  
7   LEIGHS, WHY DON'T WE START WITH YOU?

8

9   **MICHAEL LEIGHS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISOR.  
10   MY NAME IS MICHAEL LEIGHS. I'M WITH L.A. HEALTH ACTION. I'M  
11   TESTIFYING IN SUPPORT OF THIS PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING  
12   MOTION. RESEARCH SHOWS THAT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING RESULTS IN 57%  
13   LESS EMERGENCY ROOM VISITS, 85% LESS EMERGENCY DETOX SERVICES,  
14   A 50% LOWER INCARCERATION RATE AND THAT 80% RECIPIENTS STAYED  
15   IN HOUSING FOR AT LEAST ONE YEAR. WE'VE BEEN ENCOURAGED BY THE  
16   LEADERSHIP ALREADY DEMONSTRATED BY THE COUNTY ON HOMELESS  
17   ISSUES GIVEN THE INNOVATIVE \$100 MILLION HOMELESS PREVENTION  
18   INITIATIVE. WE BELIEVE THAT THIS MOTION WILL RESULT IN A MORE  
19   COORDINATED COUNTYWIDE EFFORT, WILL BETTER INTEGRATE COUNTY  
20   HOMELESS SERVICES WITH MUNICIPAL OR CITY HOUSING PROJECTS AND  
21   WILL ALLOW THE COUNTY TO TAKE FULL ADVANTAGE OF THE DOLLARS IT  
22   HAS ALLOCATED TO COMBAT HOMELESSNESS. THANK YOU.

23

24   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. GABRIELE?

25



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1   **GABRIELE HOOKS:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS. I'M WITH CORPORATION  
2   FOR SUPPORTIVE HOUSING. WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE SUPERVISORS  
3   FOR CONSIDERING THIS FACILITATION OF LINKING THOSE SERVICES IN  
4   PERMANENT SUPPORT OF HOUSING, ESPECIALLY AT A TIME WHEN THE  
5   COUNTY-- WHEN THE CITY IS NOW PROVIDING CAPITAL AND OPERATING  
6   SOURCES FOR BUILDING SUCH UNITS AND THE STATE IS DOING THE  
7   SAME. WITH THE LEADERSHIP OF THE COUNTY PROVIDING THE SERVICES  
8   IN THESE UNITS, IT WILL LEAD TO SUCCESS OF THE PEOPLE LIVING  
9   ON THE STREETS GOING INTO HOUSING MORE QUICKLY, INCREASING  
10  THEIR STABILITY IN HOUSING, DECREASING THEIR RECIDIVISM INTO  
11  HOMELESSNESS. AND, GIVEN THAT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES IS SO  
12  LARGE, IT IS TAKING THE LEADERSHIP TO BRING ALL THESE SERVICES  
13  TOGETHER AND LEVERAGE ALL THE RESOURCES OF THE STATE AND CITY  
14  AND C.S.H. APPLAUDS YOU AND SUPPORTS YOU FOR CONSIDERING THIS.

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16  **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU BOTH.  
17  SUPERVISOR KNABE.

18

19  **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH. I SUPPORT THE MOTION BUT I HAD SEVERAL  
20  QUESTIONS I'D LIKE TO HAVE ADDRESSED FROM STAFF AND WHOEVER  
21  PREPARED THIS PARTICULAR BOARD LETTER. OBVIOUSLY, I THINK WE  
22  ALL APPRECIATE THE IDEA THAT THE SUPPORTIVE HOUSING PROGRAMS  
23  HAVE BEEN SHOWN TO SAVE MONEY IN HOSPITAL INCARCERATION COSTS  
24  IN OTHER JURISDICTIONS LIKE SAN FRANCISCO AND NEW YORK BUT  
25  THERE'S TRULY A LEAP OF FAITH, I THINK HERE, THAT WE TAKE



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1 FINANCIALLY IF WE WANT TO MAKE THIS HAPPEN IN L.A. COUNTY  
2 BECAUSE I BELIEVE THIS TYPE OF HOUSING WILL REQUIRE A VERY  
3 SIGNIFICANT INFUSION OF COUNTY GENERAL FUNDS TO CREATE AND  
4 PERHAPS SUSTAIN THIS PROGRAM OVER THE LONG HAUL. HAVE WE  
5 ESTIMATED OR SEEN WHERE THE SAVINGS WOULD MATERIALIZE OR HOW  
6 MUCH THESE PROGRAMS WOULD COST TO IMPLEMENT?

7

8 **LARI SHEEHAN:** MR. CHAIRMAN, SUPERVISOR KNABE, WE HAVE NOT DONE  
9 THAT KIND OF A FISCAL CALCULATION YET. I THINK YOU HEARD SOME  
10 TESTIMONY ABOUT THE DIFFERENCE IN COST OF SUPPORTING HOUSING  
11 VERSUS EMERGENCY ROOMS AND JAILS AND THINGS OF THAT NATURE AND  
12 WE DO HAVE THAT INFORMATION BUT, IN TERMS OF COMING UP WITH  
13 THE COST THAT IS GOING TO ROLL OUT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING FOR  
14 EVERY SUPPORTIVE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT, THAT PROBABLY HARD TO  
15 COME UP WITH AN ESTIMATE. ON THE OTHER HAND, WE THINK THAT WE  
16 CAN, THROUGH THIS EFFORT, COME UP WITH SOME IDEA ABOUT, ON A  
17 PER UNIT BASIS, DEPENDING ON WHAT THE POPULATION TO BE  
18 SITUATED IN THE HOUSING IS, WHAT KIND OF SUPPORTING COSTS  
19 WOULD BE INVOLVED AND THAT WOULD BE PART OF WHAT WE WOULD DO.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT WOULD GO INTO MY NEXT QUESTION THEN BECAUSE I  
22 UNDERSTAND, FROM MY OWN STAFF, THAT THE FEDS WILL BE REQUIRING  
23 US TO FOCUS ON PERMANENT HOUSING TO ERADICATE HOMELESSNESS.  
24 BUT, IF IT'S AS USUAL, I DON'T THINK WE'LL GET MUCH LONG-TERM  
25 HELP FROM THE FEDS, SO THE SET ASIDE DOLLARS WE RECEIVE



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1 THROUGH L.A.H.S.A. IS ABOUT THE ONLY, ASIDE FROM THOSE  
2 PARTICULAR DOLLARS, SO IT'S REALLY GOING TO FALL ON US TO  
3 SUSTAIN THESE PROGRAMS LONG TERM. SO WOULD THIS REPORT BACK  
4 LOOK AT THAT POTENTIAL FISCAL IMPACT ON THE COUNTY AND WHAT  
5 THOSE COSTS MAY OR MAY THE BE?

6

7 **LARI SHEEHAN:** YES, CERTAINLY IT WILL. AND WE ARE FOCUSING ON  
8 THE KINDS OF FUNDING THAT WE CURRENTLY HAVE INCLUDING MENTAL  
9 HEALTH SERVICES ACT, WHICH WILL BE HAVING A NEW INFUSION OF  
10 DOLLARS, AS WELL AS EXISTING SERVICES AND HOW WE CAN BETTER  
11 LEVERAGE OURSELVES TO PROVIDE THEM THROUGH THIS TYPE OF  
12 SUPPORTIVE HOUSING.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** ONE OF THE CONCERNS ABOUT THE MOTION, AND, AGAIN,  
15 I SUPPORT IT BUT SOME OF THE LANGUAGE ISSUES, DEVELOPMENT OF  
16 PROTOCOLS THAT FACILITATE CONSISTENT PARTNERSHIPS WITH CITIES.  
17 I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE WE'RE NOT IMPLYING TWO THINGS. I SORT  
18 OF INTERPRET IT TWO WAY BUT THAT WE'RE DICTATING TO CITIES HOW  
19 THEY SHOULD HANDLE THEIR HOMELESS AND HOUSING PROGRAMS BY  
20 MAKING THEM FIT INTO THESE SO-CALLED PROTOCOLS AND THE ONE  
21 SIZE FITS ALL APPROACH. I DON'T WANT TO SCARE ANYONE OFF, SO  
22 MAYBE YOU COULD CLARIFY THAT.

23

24 **LARI SHEEHAN:** THAT'S CERTAINLY NOT OUR INTENT. THE INTENT, AS  
25 I UNDERSTAND IT, WOULD BE THAT WE WOULD BE PROVIDING AN



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1 INVENTORY OF THE TYPES OF SERVICES THAT THE COUNTY PROVIDES SO  
2 THAT THE CITIES, AS WELL AS COUNSELS OF GOVERNMENT WHO ARE  
3 LOOKING AT HOMELESS PROGRAMS, HAVE AN UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT  
4 THE COUNTY PROVIDES AND, THAT WAY, THEY'LL HAVE AN INVITATION  
5 TO WORK WITH US TO FACILITATE A CUSTOMIZED SITUATION FOR  
6 WHAT'S NECESSARY IN THEIR COMMUNITY.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH, AND, DON, IF I CAN JUST ADD  
9 TO THAT BECAUSE I'M MAKING THE MOTION THAT LARI IS ABSOLUTELY  
10 ON THE BUTTON ON THAT. IT'S JUST THE OPPOSITE OF TRYING TO  
11 DICTATE. WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT EVERYBODY KNOWS WHAT'S  
12 AVAILABLE TO THEM AND THEN THEY CAN PICK AND CHOOSE WHAT WOULD  
13 WORK FOR THEM. THAT'S...

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, YOU KNOW, THE THING-- I UNDERSTAND THAT THE  
16 C.E.O. AND OTHERS ARE CURRENTLY WORKING ON A PROTOCOL WITH THE  
17 CITY OF LOS ANGELES. WHAT I WANT, AM LOOKING FOR SOME  
18 ASSURANCES THAT WE AREN'T BEING ASKED UP FRONT BECAUSE WORKING  
19 WITH THE CITY OF L.A. THAT WE'RE BUYING INTO SOME PROCESS,  
20 HEAVY SET OF PROTOCOLS, THAT MAY WORK FOR L.A. BUT NOT  
21 NECESSARILY FOR THE SMALLER JURISDICTION BECAUSE WE ALREADY  
22 HAVE, LIKE IN MY PARTICULAR AREA, WE HAVE REALLY MOVED FORWARD  
23 ON THIS HOMELESS ISSUE, WHITTIER, LONG BEACH AND THE GATEWAY  
24 CITIES. SO I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT, YOU KNOW, ABOUT BY BUYING  
25 INTO WHATEVER WE DEAL WITH THE CITY OF L.A. IS NOT SO



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1 OVERBEARING THAT IT IMPACTS OR PUSHES OUT THESE SMALLER  
2 ENTITIES BECAUSE MAYBE THEY DON'T HAVE THE SAME NUMBERS BUT  
3 THEY HAVE THE SAME ISSUES AND THEIR WILLINGNESS TO STEP  
4 FORWARD AND WE DON'T WANT TO PUSH THEM BACK.

5

6 **LARI SHEEHAN:** YES, SIR. WE TOTALLY AGREE.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I THINK WE'RE ALL ON THE SAME PAGE  
9 ON THAT.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT'S ALL MY QUESTIONS.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ANY OTHER COMMENTS OR  
14 QUESTIONS? THANK YOU, LARI. I'LL MOVE IT. MS. BURKE SECONDS.  
15 WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE ON ITEM 17. MR. BAXTER IS  
16 HERE ON ITEM 26. I'M SORRY. I WAS GOING TO TAKE HIM EARLIER.  
17 IS MR. BAXTER STILL HERE? OKAY.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** OVER HERE.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** GOOD MORNING, MR. BAXTER.

22

23 **PETER BAXTER:** GOOD MORNING, SIR. MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF YOUR  
24 HONORABLE BOARD, MR. FUJIOKA. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. MY NAME IS  
25 PETER BAXTER AND I LIVE IN LOS ANGELES. IT MAY BE OF INTEREST



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1 TO YOU, SIR, I'D LIKE TO BE SURE THAT I BRING TO THE ATTENTION  
2 TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AN ALTERNATIVE METHOD OF FIGHTING  
3 FIRE AND SO FAR I HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO RECEIVE ANY PARTICULAR  
4 ENCOURAGEMENT BUT I'LL TRY ANYWAY AND I'D LIKE TO PUT MY NAME  
5 IN. A CANDLE BURNING IN A GLASS CONTAINER WHICH IS OPEN AT THE  
6 TOP DEMONSTRATES PRECISELY THE PHYSICS AND CHEMISTRY OF THE  
7 PROPOSAL TO DENY HOSTILE FIRE OXYGEN. FIRST, THERE IS THE  
8 LIGHTING OF THE CANDLE. IN THE PROCESS, A FLAME IS APPLIED TO  
9 THE WICK OF THE CANDLE, WHEREUPON THE CANDLE IS IGNITED AND  
10 THE CANDLE'S WICK BURNS. THE BURNING CANDLE DRAWS AIR, FRESH  
11 AIR, INTO THE OPENING OF THE GLASS CONTAINER AT THE TOP THE  
12 CANDLE. THAT IS A RESULT OF THE PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL REACTION  
13 WHICH TAKES PLACE AT THE WICK OF THE CANDLE AS IT BURNS. THE  
14 WICK, WHICH IS FUEL, COMBINES WITH THE OXYGEN SO THAT THE  
15 FRESH AIR TO PRODUCE IT, PRODUCE THE PRODUCTS OF COMBUSTION,  
16 THAT IS, HEAT, LIGHT AND SMOKE, EVIDENCE OF COMBUSTION OR  
17 FIRE. COMBUSTION OR FIRE IS NOW TAKING PLACE. THE QUESTION  
18 ARISES, HOW SHALL WE PUT OUT THE FIRE? CURRENTLY, WE'RE USING  
19 WATER. AND I'M SUGGESTING, SIR, THAT WE SHOULD DENY THE FIRE  
20 OXYGEN AS OUR MAIN PURPOSE OR MAIN GOAL AND THAT'S THE POINT  
21 BEHIND MY COMING HERE AND MAKING THIS POINT. NOW, FROM  
22 EXPERIENCE, WE KNOW THAT, IF WE PUT A PAD ON TOP OF THE FLAME,  
23 A NONFLAMMABLE PAD OVER THE TOP OF THE GLASS CONTAINER, THAT  
24 SHALL PUT THE CANDLE OUT WITHIN SECONDS. THAT ACTION PREVENTS  
25 FRESH AIR FROM ENTERING THE GLASS CONTAINER. THE ONLY SOURCE





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1 OF OXYGEN FOR THE BURNING CANDLE IS WHAT OXYGEN STILL REMAINS  
2 IN THE NOW SEALED GLASS CONTAINER. THE FIRE GOES OUT. THE  
3 POINT I'M TRYING TO MAKE IS THAT, IF WE ADDRESS THE ISSUE OF  
4 OXYGEN AND THAT'S A DIFFERENT WAY OF LOOKING AT FIGHTING FIRE  
5 AND I BRING THIS TO THE KIND ATTENTION OF THE BOARD OF  
6 SUPERVISORS FOR THAT REASON.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

9

10 **PETER BAXTER:** ALL OF WHICH IS RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED AND I  
11 THANK YOU, SIR, THANK YOU KINDLY.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, PETER BAXTER.

14

15 **PETER BAXTER:** I WISH YOUR NEW CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER ALL THE  
16 SUCCESS IN THE WORLD.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. THAT CLOSES THE PUBLIC  
19 HEARING. SEEING NO ONE ELSE WANTS TO BE HEARD ON THAT ITEM,  
20 MR. KNABE MOVES, MS. BURKE SECONDS, WITHOUT OBJECTION,  
21 UNANIMOUS VOTE ON ITEM 26. SACHI, YOU HAVE A REPORT ON OUR  
22 ASSESSMENT? ON OUR ANNEXATION ISSUE?

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24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 2. MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF  
25 THE BOARD. AFTER TABULATING THE BALLOTS, A DETERMINATION HAS



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1 BEEN MADE THAT NO MAJORITY PROTEST EXISTS FOR THE ANNEXATION  
2 AND LEVYING OF ASSESSMENT FOR THE APPROVED TENTATIVE  
3 SUBDIVISION TERRITORIES TO COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE  
4 DISTRICT 1687 AND 1697, AND COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT L.L.A.-1,  
5 UNINCORPORATED AND CARSON ZONES. AS A RESULT, IT WOULD BE  
6 APPROPRIATE FOR THE BOARD TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION OF ORDERING  
7 ANNEXATION AND LEVYING OF ASSESSMENTS FOR APPROVED TENTATIVE  
8 SUBDIVISION TERRITORIES TO COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE  
9 DISTRICT 1687 AND 1697 AND COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICTS L.L.A.-1,  
10 UNINCORPORATED AND CARSON ZONES.

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I WILL SO MOVE. SECONDED BY MS.  
13 MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE ON ITEM NUMBER 2.  
14 NOW WE'RE ON OUR DISCUSSION ITEMS?

15

16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CORRECT.

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** LET'S JUST TAKE THEM IN ORDER, I  
19 GUESS. ITEM 35.

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21 **SUP. KNABE:** I THOUGHT THAT WAS BEING REFERRED BACK TO THE...

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23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ACTUALLY, YOU'RE RIGHT BUT IT WAS  
24 HELD FOR DISCUSSION, ALSO. THEN IT'S GOING TO BE REFERRED  
25 BACK. WHO HELD IT FOR DISCUSSION, ACTUALLY?



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** I DID.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA.

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6 **SUP. MOLINA:** I'M CONCERNED ABOUT THIS AND I HAVE A MOTION. I  
7 GUESS I WAS PARTICULARLY CONCERNED ON THIS ISSUE WITH REGARD  
8 TO THE ARROGANCE OF MAXIMUS AND HOW THEY IGNORED WHEN WE  
9 INFORMED THEM. I'M TOLD THAT, ON MARCH 22ND OF THIS YEAR, WE  
10 GAVE THEM WRITTEN NOTIFICATION THAT THE REPORT WAS DUE. ON MAY  
11 15TH, WE AGAIN GAVE THEM NOTIFICATION IN WRITING THAT THEIR  
12 REPORT HAS NOT BEEN FILED AND THAT WE WOULD BE IMPOSING A \$250  
13 FEE. THEY IGNORED US THEN. ON JUNE 6TH, WE SENT OUT A  
14 CERTIFIED LETTER TO MAXIMUS NOTIFYING THEM THAT WE HAD ALREADY  
15 IMPOSED THE \$250 FEE AND THEY WERE INFORMED THAT THERE MIGHT  
16 BE ADDITIONAL PENALTIES AT THAT TIME IF WE DIDN'T RECEIVE IT  
17 BY JUNE THE 20TH. THEY IGNORED US A LITTLE LONGER. AND, ON  
18 JUNE 29TH, WE MADE AN ACTUAL PHONE CALL AND SPOKE TO SOMEONE  
19 BY THE NAME OF MR. CARTER MCCRORY WITH MAXIMUS, INFORMING THEM  
20 THAT WE'RE GOING TO MOVE FORWARD AND PLACE THIS ON THE BOARD  
21 AGENDA. THEY CONTINUED TO IGNORE US. ON JULY 10TH, WE SENT  
22 ANOTHER CERTIFIED LETTER TO MAXIMUS NOTIFYING THEM. SO, VERY  
23 FRANKLY, IF THESE LOBBYISTS' REPORTS ARE GOING TO BE IGNORED  
24 BY PEOPLE, I DON'T KNOW HOW MAXIMUS HOLDS A MAJOR CONTRACT  
25 WITH US. THEY CAN'T FOLLOW SOME BASIC RULES. AND, OBVIOUSLY,



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1 THEY DON'T MIND PAYING THIS LITTLE MEASLY FEE SINCE THEY'RE  
2 TOO BOTHERED TO EVEN MAINTAIN SOME BASICS OF REPORTING THEIR  
3 RESPONSIBILITIES. SO I HAVE A MOTION THAT BASICALLY SAYS-- AND  
4 I DON'T KNOW IF YOU RECEIVED IT. COUNTY CODE REQUIRES ALL  
5 ENTITIES DOING BUSINESS WITH THE COUNTY, EITHER BY CONTRACT,  
6 PERMIT, GRANT LICENSE OR FRANCHISE, TO FILE QUARTERLY LOBBYING  
7 REPORTS. AFTER FIVE SEPARATE ATTEMPTS THROUGH CERTIFIED  
8 CORRESPONDENCE AND SO ON AS I MENTIONED, ONLY WHEN THREATENED  
9 WITH DEBARMENT, WHICH MEANS WE WOULD TAKE AWAY THEIR RIGHT TO  
10 HAVE ANY CONTRACT, DID MAXIMUS RESPOND TO THE EXECUTIVE  
11 OFFICE, SUBMIT THE REQUIRED REPORTS AND PAY THE REQUIRED  
12 PENALTY FEE OF \$2,000. NOW THAT MAXIMUS IS IN COMPLIANCE, THE  
13 CURRENT COUNTY ORDINANCE DOES NOT PROHIBIT MAXIMUS FROM  
14 SEEKING ADDITIONAL COUNTY CONTRACTS. CURRENTLY, MAXIMUS HAS A  
15 CONTRACT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES FOR  
16 OVER \$23 MILLION AND IS IN THE PROCESS OF NEGOTIATING AN  
17 EXTENSION WITH THE COUNTY. MAXIMUS IS NOT THE FIRST COMPANY TO  
18 IGNORE COUNTY LOBBYING RULES AND WILL LIKELY NOT BE THE LAST  
19 AS LONG AS THE PENALTY FOR IGNORING THESE RULES IS ONLY A TINY  
20 FRACTION OF THE OVERALL CONTRACT THEY HAVE WITH THE COUNTY.  
21 THE CURRENT NO HARM, NO FOUL PUNISHMENT AGAINST THOSE  
22 PROVIDERS COULD FAIL TO COMPLY WITH THE COUNTY'S ORDINANCE  
23 THAT NEEDS TO BE STRENGTHENED. IN ORDER TO ENSURE THAT  
24 COMPANIES THAT DO BUSINESS WITH THE COUNTY ARE MORE RESPONSIVE  
25 TO OUR RULES, THE BOARD SHOULD STRENGTHEN THE CURRENT



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1 ORDINANCE BY CREATING GREATER ACCOUNTABILITY. I THEREFORE MOVE  
2 THAT THE BOARD RATIFY THE \$2,000 SANCTION IMPOSED AGAINST  
3 MAXIMUS AND DIRECT THE C.E.O., ALONG WITH THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE  
4 AND COUNTY COUNSEL, TO DEVELOP RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WILL  
5 RESULT IN MORE STRINGENT ENFORCEMENT OF THE COUNTY'S LOBBYING  
6 ORDINANCE. OPTIONS THAT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED INCLUDE BUT ARE  
7 NOT LIMITED TO A MECHANISM FOR PROGRESSIVE DISCIPLINE,  
8 INCLUDING PERMANENT BARRING OF FUTURE CONTRACTS WITH THE  
9 COUNTY, AND THE CANCELLATION OF EXISTING CONTRACTS WITH THOSE  
10 COMPANIES WHICH DEMONSTRATE A PATTERN OF NONCOMPLIANCE.  
11 SECONDLY, HIGHER MONETARY PENALTIES, INCLUDING A PERCENTAGE OF  
12 THE EXISTING CONTRACTS WITH THE COUNTY, WHICHEVER IS GREATER.  
13 AND THESE RECOMMENDATIONS SHOULD BE BROUGHT BACK TO THE BOARD  
14 ON AUGUST 21ST. SO THAT IS A MOTION THAT I HAVE SO THAT  
15 HOPEFULLY THEY CAN BE MUCH MORE ATTENTIVE TO SOME VERY BASIC  
16 RULES HERE AT THE COUNTY.

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'LL SECOND THAT. AND I'LL JUST  
19 ADD, I AGREE. THIS WAS NOT A VERY SMART THING FOR THIS  
20 CONTRACTOR TO DO. I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHAT THEY WERE THINKING.  
21 IT RAISES THE QUESTION IF, ON THIS MINOR ISSUE, VERY MINOR  
22 ISSUE, TO THEM AND TO THE REST OF THE WORLD, THEY CAN'T  
23 COMPLY, THEN IT MAKES ME WONDER HOW COMPLIANT THEY ARE ON THE  
24 BIG ISSUES. SO ACTUALLY, FROM MY POINT OF VIEW, THIS HAS  
25 RAISED MORE QUESTIONS THAN IT'S ANSWERED, THIS LITTLE EPISODE,



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1 AND IT WAS JUST A BAD BUSINESS JUDGMENT, ASIDE FROM EVERYTHING  
2 ELSE, IT'S JUST PLAIN STUPID. FOR \$2,000? IT'S STUPID WITH A  
3 CAPITAL "S" SO THANKS FOR THAT MOTION. IS THERE ANY OTHER  
4 DISCUSSION?

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6 **SUP. BURKE:** HAVE ALL THE FORMS BEEN FILED AT THIS POINT?

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8 **SUP. MOLINA:** EVERYTHING HAS BEEN FILED.

9

10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YES, THEY HAVE.

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THEY HAVE?

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14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CORRECT.

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16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH, ONLY AFTER THEY WERE KICKED  
17 IN THE PANTS A FEW TIMES. WHO WAS IT THAT DID NOT FILE? WAS IT  
18 THE COMPANY OR THEIR ADVOCATES?

19

20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** I BELIEVE IT WAS THEIR COMPANY. YES.

21

22 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** MY UNDERSTANDING, SUPERVISOR, IS THAT MAXIMUS  
23 IS A LOBBYIST EMPLOYER, SO THEY HAVE IN-HOUSE LOBBYISTS.

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1   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SO, WITHOUT OBJECTION, MS.  
2   MOLINA'S MOTION IS APPROVED. AND, ON THE ITEM ITSELF, YOU WANT  
3   IT REFERRED BACK TO YOUR OFFICE OR RECEIVE AND FILED? NOTED  
4   AND FILED?

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6   **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THE ACTUAL ITEM ITSELF, RECEIVE AND FILE.  
7   AND I BELIEVE, IN SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S MOTION, SHE IS RATIFYING  
8   THE \$2,000 SANCTION. SO THAT WOULD BE CORRECT.

9

10   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO THAT WOULD BE A SUBSTITUTE FOR  
11   ITEM 35.

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13   **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CORRECT.

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15   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO THERE IS NO NEED FOR ANY  
16   FURTHER ACTION. IT'S APPROVED AND WE'RE DONE WITH 35.

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18   **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU.

19

20   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT ITEM IS 36?

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22   **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM 36 IS THE 2-1-1 L.A. COUNTY.

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24   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** GLORIA, YOU WERE HOLDING THIS ONE,  
25   TOO, I THINK? 36? 2-1-1.





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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. ON 2-1-1, I HAVE SPOKEN WITH BRYCE

3 ABOUT THIS AND MY STAFF HAS SPOKEN TO BRYCE AND I THINK THAT

4 ONE OF THE PROBLEMS THAT WE HAVE HAD IS WE HAVE NOT PUT IN UP

5 FRONT A SET OF EVALUATION TOOLS TO TALK, TO SPEAK TO THE KIND

6 OF QUALITY THAT WE'RE EXPECTING. IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING, FROM

7 THE STAFF ASSESSMENT THAT WAS DONE FROM MY OFFICE, THAT THEY

8 ARE DOING A FAIRLY EFFECTIVE JOB IN RESPONDING TO MANY OF

9 THESE CALLS. IT ALWAYS WOULD BE NICER IF, IN FACT, THEY DIDN'T

10 HAVE THAT HORRIBLE THING THAT WE ALL HAVE WHEN WE CALL OUR

11 BANK, WHAT IS IT CALLED? THE ROBOTIC KIND OF, YOU KNOW, IF YOU

12 NEED THIS, DO 1, IF YOU NEED THAT-- BUT I UNDERSTAND THAT

13 THERE IS MANY, MANY CALLS THAT ARE RECEIVED AND THEY HAVE A

14 LOT OF EMPLOYEES ON STAFF THAT ARE ADDRESSING THESE ISSUES. I

15 THINK IT ALSO WOULD BE NICER IF THERE COULD BE SOME WAY THAT

16 THEY COULD TRACK THE ABILITY OF WHETHER THE DEPARTMENT

17 RESPONDED OR NOT. AND MAYBE THAT'S SOMETHING WE NEED TO DO ON

18 OUR END WHEN THEY GET THESE REFERRALS FROM 2-1-1, TO SEE HOW

19 THE DEPARTMENTS ARE RESPONDING TO FOLKS. YOU KNOW, WE TALK

20 ABOUT, IN OUR STRATEGIC PLAN, THAT WE'RE CUSTOMER FRIENDLY,

21 THAT, YOU KNOW, IT'S ONE OF OUR VERY FIRST GOALS AND YET WE'RE

22 NOT REALLY ASSESSING THIS. AND 2-1-1 COULD GO A LONG WAY TO

23 ASSIST US IN ASSESSING IT. SO I'VE TALKED TO BRYCE AND THEY'RE

24 GOING TO LOOK AT PUTTING IN SOME EVALUATION CRITERIA SO THAT

25 WE CAN-- AND IT'S NOT JUST ABOUT HOW THEY'RE DOING BUT HOW WE



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1 CAN MAKE IT BETTER, HOW WE CAN BE MORE EFFECTIVE. SO I THINK  
2 THAT HE'S AGREED THAT WE'RE GOING TO INCORPORATE THAT AND I  
3 THINK THAT'S A GOOD THING. THE OTHER PART OF IT IS THE WHOLE  
4 ISSUE OF THE MARKETING COMPONENT. THE MARKETING COMPONENT,  
5 WHAT I'M CONCERNED ABOUT, AND I'VE ALWAYS BEEN CONCERNED ABOUT  
6 IN ALL MARKETING COMPONENTS, IS THAT YOU GIVE SOME CONSULTANT  
7 A WHOLE LOT OF MONEY AND SAY GO MARKET WHAT WE GOT. I DON'T  
8 THINK THEY HAVE THE ABILITY AS YET TO EVEN REALIZE WHO WE NEED  
9 TO MARKET TO. I KNOW THERE'S BEEN SOME ANALYSIS OF WHERE WE'RE  
10 GETTING THESE PHONE CALLS FROM AND IT SEEMS TO ME THAT WHERE  
11 WE'RE GETTING THE PHONE CALLS FROM IS WHEN SOMEBODY IN THE  
12 OFFICE SAYS, "LOOK, I CAN'T HELP YOU FIND A PLACE TO LIVE BUT,  
13 HERE, GO CALL THIS NUMBER, THEY MIGHT BE ABLE TO HELP YOU."  
14 AND SO WE'RE NOT DOING THAT WELL. NOT EVERYONE KNOWS TO CALL  
15 2-1-1 FOR EVERYTHING THAT THEY NEED FROM THE COUNTY. SO WE  
16 NEED TO GET THE WORD OUT. BUT I THINK IT'S GOING TO HAVE TO BE  
17 VERY, VERY CONCENTRATED AS TO WHERE YOU DO IT BECAUSE, AGAIN,  
18 I DON'T KNOW IF IT'S UNINCORPORATED AREAS THAT ARE GOING TO BE  
19 MORE SERVED THAN OTHERS. SO WHAT I'D LIKE TO DO-- AND I HAVE A  
20 MOTION THAT BASICALLY STATES THAT WE SHOULD APPROVE THE 3  
21 PERCENT COLA BUT REQUIRE THAT THE C.A.O., IN CONSULTATION WITH  
22 OUR BOARD OFFICE, TO DEVELOP AN IMPROVE METHODOLOGY IN  
23 MONITORING THE QUALITY OF SERVICE PROVIDED TO CALLERS AND  
24 ASSESS BOTH THE TYPE OF PHONE CALLS AND WHAT TYPE OF  
25 ASSISTANCE IS BEING PROVIDED, INCLUDING STATISTICALLY



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1    SIGNIFICANT SURVEY OF CALLERS AS PART OF THE ASSESSMENT METHOD  
2    TO COLLECT FOLLOW-UP DATA ON ANY COMPLAINT CALLS AND RELATE TO  
3    A LACK OF FOLLOW-UP FROM OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS OR SERVICE  
4    AGENCIES SHOULD BE INCLUDED. AND TO REPORT BACK TO US ON 60  
5    DAYS OF THOSE METHODOLOGIES. AND, AGAIN, THIS ISN'T JUST 2-1-1  
6    DOING IT. THIS IS ON OUR END, AS WELL. WHEN YOU REFER SOMEBODY  
7    TO PUBLIC HEALTH OR PUBLIC WORKS OR WHATEVER, HOW ARE THEY  
8    RESPONDING TO THAT? WE DON'T REALLY HAVE A TRACKING SYSTEM AS  
9    TO HOW THAT'S BEING DONE. AND THEN, SECONDLY, I DON'T MIND  
10   APPROVING UP TO \$250,000 FOR MARKETING. I DON'T MIND THAT BUT  
11   I DON'T HAVE A PLAN AS TO HOW YOU'RE GOING TO MARKET AND I  
12   THINK I'D LIKE TO KNOW THAT. I NEED TO KNOW IF YOU'RE JUST  
13   GOING TO THROW IT AT SOME CONSULTING FIRM AND THEY CAN TELL  
14   YOU, "OH, YOU KNOW, WE'RE GOING TO DO P.S.A.S AND DO THAT KIND  
15   OF STUFF", THAT'S WHAT EVERYBODY ELSE DOES. I'D LIKE TO HAVE  
16   MORE OF A PLAN AND A CLEARER UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT WE'RE GOING  
17   TO DO AND WHAT OTHER KINDS OF OPTIONS WE MIGHT HAVE AVAILABLE  
18   THAT ARE GOING TO COST US ABSOLUTELY NOTHING. I DON'T KNOW  
19   WHAT KIND OF CONTACT WE'VE MADE WITH ALL OF THE RADIO STATIONS  
20   AND NEWSPAPERS AND EVERYONE TO CARRY THIS MESSAGE ABSOLUTELY  
21   FREE, WHICH THEY WOULD DO. I DON'T KNOW WHAT EFFORT WAS MADE  
22   IN THAT REGARD. SO, IN MY MOTION, I HAD SAID THAT, BEFORE WE  
23   PROVIDED THIS MONEY, THAT THEY WOULD COME BACK, ON SEPTEMBER  
24   THE 4TH, WITH A RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD ON THE BEST  
25   MARKETING AND EXPENDITURE APPROACH TO THE OUTREACH EFFORT. SO



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1 I'D LIKE TO DO THAT. I JUST THINK THAT WE REALLY-- WE NEED TO  
2 KNOW. IT'S OUR SYSTEM. I MEAN, WE'RE THE ONES, THEY'RE CARRY  
3 OUT OUR SERVICE AND, FOR THE MOST PART, ARE DOING A GOOD JOB  
4 BUT WE NEED TO GIVE THEM MORE DIRECTION OF WHAT WE WANT AND  
5 HOW WE WANT IT AS WELL AS HOW TO MARKET IT. IT ISN'T SOMEBODY  
6 COMING IN TELLING US, "THIS IS WHAT YOU NEED TO DO." A LOT OF  
7 IT, BECAUSE I GUESS WE DO SO MUCH WORK WITH OUR CONSTITUENTS  
8 AND INTERFACE WITH SO MANY OF OUR OWN COMMUNITY PEOPLE OUT  
9 THERE, THAT IT WOULD BE WORTHWHILE TO INCORPORATE US IN SOME  
10 OF THESE ISSUES AS TO HOW TO OUTREACH TO THESE COMMUNITIES.

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12 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. CHAIRMAN? I'LL SECOND.

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14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MS. BURKE IS NEXT. YOU'LL SECOND.  
15 LET ME JUST-- I DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THE APPROACH. THE  
16 ONLY THING I WANT TO RAISE IS THIS REFERENCE TO THE  
17 UNINCORPORATED IN THE BODY OF YOUR MOTION. AND I WOULD ASK  
18 THAT WE NOT LIMIT IT TO THE-- FOCUS ON OUR UNINCORPORATED  
19 BECAUSE...

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21 **SUP. MOLINA:** FAIR ENOUGH. BECAUSE HEALTH AND OTHER AREAS...

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23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH.

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25 **SUP. MOLINA:** I WOULD AGREE.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S IMPORTANT IN THE CITY OF  
3 L.A., SOME OTHER AREAS, SO IF I CAN SUGGEST, IF YOU JUST GET  
4 RID OF THAT PARAGRAPH THAT STARTS WITH "BEFORE" AND THEN IT  
5 WOULD BE FINE.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA:** SURE.

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9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THE SECOND THING. WHERE DID THE  
10 \$250,000 FIGURE COME FROM? IS THIS SOMETHING THAT WAS  
11 GENERATED BY 2-1-1 FOLKS OR BY YOU OR IN COLLABORATION? WHY  
12 DID THEY PICK THAT NUMBER FOR THE P.R. CAMPAIGN? BECAUSE THE  
13 REASON I SAY THAT, I DIDN'T MEAN TO INTERRUPT BUT PART OF ME  
14 IS SYMPATHETIC TO WHAT MS. MOLINA IS SAYING ABOUT MAYBE IT  
15 COULD BE DONE CHEAPER. PART OF ME SAYS, FOR \$250,000, YOU  
16 COULDN'T GET 1 INCH, 1 MILLIMETER OF PENETRATION IN THE L.A.  
17 MEDIA MARKET. SO I'M NOT SURE WHERE THIS CAME FROM AND WHY.

18

19 **BRYCE YOKOMIZO:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. BRYCE  
20 YOKOMIZO WITH THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE. THE \$250,000 WAS PRESENTED  
21 TO US BY 2-1-1 L.A. COUNTY IN THEIR WORK THAT THEY'VE DONE  
22 WITH THEIR CONSULTANTS. SO THIS IS A DOLLAR AMOUNT THAT THEIR  
23 STRATEGISTS HAVE DEVELOPED.

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25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHO IS THEIR CONSULTANT?



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2 **BRYCE YOKOMIZO:** IT IS ROGERS GROUP.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ROGERS & ASSOCIATES? SO WHEN YOU  
5 COME BACK AND REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD ON THE MOTION, ON MS.  
6 MOLINA'S MOTION, I'D LIKE YOU TO ASK THE 2-1-1 PEOPLE TO ALSO  
7 GET ROGERS AND ASSOCIATES PLUGGED IN FRONT AND CENTER ON THIS  
8 SO THAT, WHEN THE PRESENTATION IS MADE BACK, THAT THEIR INPUT  
9 IS INTEGRAL TO THIS. I WOULD EVEN, AT THE RISK OF OPENING UP  
10 ANOTHER OPTION, IS MAYBE IT TAKES MORE THAN \$250,000. I DON'T  
11 KNOW WHAT THE CITY DID ON 3- 1-1 BUT THEY HAD A LOT MORE  
12 ATTENTION ON THE 3-1-1 ROLLOUT THAN WE HAD ON THE 2-1-1  
13 ROLLOUT.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND I DON'T KNOW THAT THEY PENETRATED THAT FAR.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, I CAN TELL YOU MY WIFE USES  
18 3-1-1 RELIGIOUSLY. SHE MAY BE 50 PERCENT OF THEIR CALL LOAD. [  
19 LAUGHTER ]

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** BUT SHE SEES GRAFFITI AND SHE'S ON  
22 THE PHONE. BUT, YOU'RE RIGHT, WE DON'T KNOW. SO THAT MAY BE  
23 ALSO SOMETHING TO SEE HOW THEY'VE DONE. THIS IS A GREAT TOOL.  
24 AND WE OUGHT TO MAXIMIZE IT AND LEVERAGE IT FOR ALL IT'S  
25 WORTH. AND IF IT MEANS SPENDING SOME MONEY TO GET IT OUT



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1    THERE, IT'S WORTH IT. BUT IT'S NOT WORTH SPENDING MONEY AND  
2    NOT GETTING IT OUT THERE AND I THINK THAT'S WHAT SOME OF US  
3    ARE CONCERNED ABOUT. YESTERDAY, WHEN MR. FUJIOKA WAS IN MY  
4    OFFICE, I PICKED UP THE PHONE AND DIALED 2-1-1. AND, 15  
5    MINUTES LATER, IT'S PROBABLY AN EXAGGERATION, LET'S PUT IT  
6    THIS WAY, WE NEVER GOT A LIVE VOICE. BILL SAID, "MY  
7    APPOINTMENT WAS OVER, HE HAD TO GO SEE ANOTHER SUPERVISOR." IT  
8    TOOK TOO LONG. AND WHAT I WAS DOING, MY HYPOTHETICAL, I WANTED  
9    TO KNOW HOW LATE THE KING HARBOR URGENT CARE CENTER WAS OPEN.  
10   THAT WAS GOING TO BE HOW-- SO I DIALED 2-1-1, FOLLOWED ALL THE  
11   PROMPTS AND NEVER GOT-- FINALLY, GOT A LIVE VOICE, I SHOULD  
12   SAY, AND IT WAS SOMEBODY WHO SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW THE ANSWER TO  
13   THAT QUESTION BUT HE WOULD TRANSFER ME TO THE URGENT CARE. IT  
14   RANG FOR ABOUT A MINUTE AND A HALF AND THEN I JUST HUNG UP. SO  
15   SOMETHING-- AND WE'RE ALL REASONABLY EXPERIENCED AND  
16   KNOWLEDGEABLE IN FOLLOWING PROMPTS. AND SINCE I WANTED TO  
17   IMPRESS OUR NEW C.A.O., I WAS PAYING VERY CLOSE ATTENTION TO  
18   THE PROMPTS. BUT EVEN I WILL LOSE MY CONCENTRATION IF THESE  
19   THINGS GO ON FOREVER. AND SOMEBODY WHO IS IN A HURRY, AN  
20   AVERAGE CITIZEN IS JUST NOT GOING TO SIT THROUGH THAT. SO I  
21   WAS CONCERNED ABOUT THE NUMBER, AS I THINK GLORIA WAS JUST  
22   ADDRESSING THAT, TOO. SO THAT'S ANOTHER THING. YOU COULD GET  
23   GOOD PENETRATION ON THE P.R. CAMPAIGN AND THEN LOSE YOUR  
24   CLIENTELE BECAUSE IT'S NOT DOING WHAT IT'S SUPPOSED TO DO OR  
25   NOT SERVING BEST. SO THOSE ARE A FEW THINGS. ALL THAT CAN BE





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1 DEALT WITH, ALL THAT CAN BE IMPROVED BUT I'D HATE TO SEE THIS  
2 TOOL NOT GET THE MAXIMUM UTILIZATION. SUPERVISOR BURKE THEN  
3 MR. KNABE.

4

5 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, ONE OF THE ISSUES I WANTED TO ASK ABOUT WAS  
6 HOW THEY SELECTED A CONSULTANT. ORDINARILY, THE CONSULTANT  
7 DOESN'T GIVE YOU THE PLAN UNTIL AFTER YOU'VE HIRED THEM. SO  
8 THE IDEA OF US ASKING FOR A PLAN, A MARKETING PLAN BEFORE  
9 YOU'VE PAID THEM ANYTHING IS REALLY A NEW APPROACH SO I  
10 WONDERED, WAS THERE A COMPETITIVE SELECTION OF THE CONSULTANT?  
11 AND THEN, THE CONSULTANT, WAS THIS COMPETITIVE IN TERMS OF THE  
12 AMOUNT THAT WAS GOING TO BE PAID? WAS THE PLAN PRESENTED BY  
13 EACH CONSULTANT THAT WAS CONSIDERED? AND THIS IS THE PLAN THAT  
14 YOU HAD ADOPTED?

15

16 **BRYCE YOKOMIZO:** YES, SUPERVISOR BURKE, JOINING US TODAY IS  
17 MARY BELL MARINE, WHO IS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF 2-1-1 L.A.  
18 COUNTY. SHE IS PREPARED TO ADDRESS THAT.

19

20 **MARIBEL MARIN:** SURE. NO, WE DID NOT BID THIS OUT  
21 COMPETITIVELY. WE WENT WITH ROGERS MAINLY BECAUSE THEY HAD A  
22 LONG RECORD IN DEALING WITH SOCIAL SERVICE TYPE ISSUES,  
23 PRIMARILY WITH THE FIRST FIVE CAMPAIGN THAT THEY'VE BEEN  
24 RESPONSIBLE FOR AT THE STATEWIDE LEVEL AND ALSO JUST A GENERAL  
25 SOCIAL MARKETING CAMPAIGNS. SO WE HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH THEM.



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1 THEY HAD BEEN PARTICIPATING ON OUR BOARD MANY YEARS AGO, SO WE  
2 WERE FAMILIAR WITH THEIR WORK. THEY'RE NOT ON OUR BOARD ANY  
3 LONGER BUT WE DID NOT BID THIS OUT COMPETITIVELY.

4

5 **SUP. BURKE:** HAVE THEY ALREADY SUBMITTED A PLAN OR ARE THEY NOW  
6 GOING TO SUBMIT THE PLAN AFTER YOU HAVE RECEIVED THE MONIES TO  
7 PAY THEM?

8

9 **MARIBEL MARIN:** THEY HAVE ALREADY SUBMITTED A PLAN FOR OUR  
10 CONSIDERATION.

11

12 **SUP. BURKE:** WOULD IT BE APPROPRIATE AT THIS TIME TO SHARE? DO  
13 YOU HAVE THE PLAN WITH YOU? THAT MAYBE SUPERVISOR MOLINA, IF  
14 THEY HAVE THE PLAN, MAYBE YOU MIGHT WANT TO HEAR IT NOW? OR DO  
15 YOU WANT TO WAIT TO HEAR IT?

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** WE HAD ALREADY ASKED FOR THE PLAN. WE DIDN'T GET  
18 ONE.

19

20 **MARIBEL MARIN:** YES, I SUBMITTED A PLAN AND I ALSO SUBMITTED A  
21 SUMMARY OF WHAT THE PLAN PROPOSED. WE DO A LOT OF MARKETING  
22 AND, IN THE BEGINNING OF THE FISCAL YEAR, WE SUBMITTED A  
23 MARKETING PLAN FOR 2-1-1 ACTIVITIES AND IT'S ALL BASED ON A  
24 GRASSROOTS APPROACH, SOME DOOR-TO-DOOR CAMPAIGN. WE DID ABOUT  
25 500,000 DISTRIBUTIONS OF DOOR-TO-DOOR MATERIALS. WE HAVE A



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1 P.S.A. THAT WE HAVE DISTRIBUTED TO QUITE A NUMBER OF RADIO  
2 STATIONS AND T.V. STATIONS. WE PUT OUT ABOUT 2-1/2 MILLION  
3 PIECES A YEAR OF OUR BROCHURES THROUGH DIRECT MAIL TO AGENCIES  
4 THAT PROVIDE REFERRALS TO US. SO WE DO A LOT OF GRASSROOTS  
5 MARKETING AND WE INTEND TO CONTINUE THAT GRASSROOTS MARKETING.  
6 WHAT ROGERS WAS PROPOSING TO DO WAS REALLY HELP US WITH  
7 REBRANDING THE SERVICE BECAUSE THE CONCERN THAT WE WERE HAVING  
8 IS THAT THE MAJORITY OF PEOPLE REALLY CONSIDERED THIS AS A  
9 CRISIS LINE AND WHAT WE WERE TRYING TO DO IS BROADEN THE  
10 APPEAL OF THE SERVICE TO FOLKS WHO HAD NEVER TRIED IT BEFORE  
11 BECAUSE THEY WERE UNAWARE THAT THE SERVICE EXISTED OR THOUGHT  
12 IT WAS A CRISIS LINE. AND SO WHAT WE WERE DOING WITH ROGERS  
13 WAS HELPING TO RECRAFT OUR MESSAGE. AND THEN THE NEXT PHASE OF  
14 THE WORK, THE \$250,000 PROPOSAL, WAS FOR HELPING US TO DEVELOP  
15 SOME RELATIONSHIPS WITH SOME KEY MEDIA MARKETS, PRIMARILY  
16 UNIVISION AND TELEMUNDO, TO GET MORE RECOGNITION WITH SOME OF  
17 THE SPANISH LANGUAGE AND COMMUNITY-BASED NEWSPAPERS AS WELL SO  
18 THAT THEY START USING 2-1-1 IN CONJUNCTION WITH HUMAN INTEREST  
19 STORIES. THE PROBLEM THAT WE GET IS THAT, YOU KNOW, WE DON'T  
20 WANT TO JUST DO A BIG PUSH ON 2-1-1 AND THEN GET A SURGE THAT  
21 LASTS LESS THAN A COUPLE OF WEEKS. WE'RE TRYING TO REALLY  
22 EDUCATE THE PRODUCER, THE EDITORS, THE STORY WRITERS ABOUT 2-  
23 1-1 AND HOW YOU CAN PULL 2-1-1 INTO HUMAN INTEREST STORIES  
24 OVER THE LONG TERM. SO THAT'S WHAT THE \$250,000 PROPOSAL IS.  
25 WE WILL CONTINUE TO DO THE GRASSROOTS FREE STUFF. THAT'S



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1 DEFINITELY PART OF OUR CAMPAIGN. BUT WE ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT  
2 THE COUNTY NEEDS TO BE MUCH MORE COMFORTABLE WITH THE APPROACH  
3 THAT'S BEING TAKEN AND WE DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH GOING BACK  
4 AND WORKING WITH THE C.E.O. AND LOOKING AT THE ISSUES THAT  
5 HAVE BEEN RAISED AND MAKING SURE THAT YOU GUYS HAVE A COMFORT  
6 LEVEL.

7

8 **SUP. BURKE:** AND I SUSPECT THAT, IF IT'S ROGERS AND ASSOCIATES,  
9 THEY'VE PRESENTED A WRITTEN PLAN TO YOU.

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11 **MARIBEL MARIN:** YES.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE:** PERHAPS YOU COULD SHARE THAT?

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15 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT, MS. BURKE, I THINK THAT ONE OF THE THINGS  
16 THAT WE NEED TO DO IS WE HAVE BEEN TREATING THIS AS JUST AN  
17 OUTSIDE THING TO DO, JUST HAVE SOMEBODY ELSE DO IT. WHAT I'M  
18 TALKING ABOUT, INVOLVING THE C.E.O. AND THEIR STAFF, IS TO  
19 INCORPORATE THE DEPARTMENTS. WE DO MILLIONS OF MAILINGS A  
20 YEAR. I DON'T KNOW IF WE COULD MAIL WITH YOUR LITTLE TAX THING  
21 ABOUT THIS. WE MAIL OUT WELFARE CHECKS. WE MAIL OUT ALL KINDS  
22 OF NOTICES FROM PUBLIC WORKS. I DON'T EVEN KNOW IF OUR OWN  
23 EMPLOYEES KNOW ABOUT 2-1-1. SO IT'S LIKE, HOW DO WE  
24 INCORPORATE WHAT WE DO EVERY SINGLE DAY? IN AREAS OF PUBLIC  
25 HEALTH, WE HAVE PUBLIC HEALTH FAIRS, WE DO ALL THESE KINDS OF



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1 THINGS AND THAT'S THE INTERFACE THAT I DON'T SEE GOING ON AND  
2 I THINK THAT THAT'S WHAT WE NEED TO DO. NOW, AGAIN, YOU'RE  
3 STILL GOING TO NEED A CONSULTANT TO DRAW UP WHAT THIS WILL  
4 LOOK LIKE.

5

6 **SUP. BURKE:** HE'S PROBABLY ALREADY DRAWN THAT UP. MAYBE HE'S  
7 CHANGED SOME...

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9 **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL, I DON'T KNOW THAT. I'M JUST SAYING IT  
10 DOESN'T RELATE BACK INTO US. IT'S, LIKE, OUT THERE AND WE HAVE  
11 A LOT OF EMPLOYEES AND THEY SHOULD INTERFACE WITH THE  
12 DEPARTMENTS THAT HAVE ALREADY BEEN RECEIVING THESE PHONE CALLS  
13 AS TO WHAT KIND OF-- AS MR. YAROSLAVSKY SAID, IT DOESN'T DO A  
14 BIT OF GOOD THAT YOU GET THE WORD OUT AND THEN THERE ISN'T THE  
15 RESPONSE BACK. IF THE DEPARTMENTS ARE NOT TAKING THESE CALLS  
16 SERIOUSLY, NOT LOOKING AT IT EFFECTIVELY AND BEING RESPONSIVE,  
17 I MEAN, THAT'S A VERY LEGITIMATE CALL, I MEAN, ON THE COMP  
18 CENTER. AND, YOU KNOW, HOW ARE THEY GOING TO ANSWER THIS? THE  
19 DEPARTMENTS NEED TO, MANY TIMES, INCORPORATE WITH THEM, THESE  
20 ARE-- YOU'RE PROBABLY GETTING A LOT OF PHONE CALLS ON THIS  
21 KIND OF THING. SO I THINK WE NEED TO STOP TREATING IT AS JUST  
22 THIS OUTSIDE ORGANIZATION THAT'S HANDLING THIS FOR US. YOU  
23 TAKE CARE OF IT. YOU ADDRESS THOSE ISSUES. IT'S ABOUT US. AND  
24 SO I GUESS THAT'S WHAT I'M TRYING TO CONNECT MORE SO. SO,  
25 YEAH, YOU'RE GOING TO NEED A MARKETING CAMPAIGN BUT HOW DOES



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1 IT INTERFACE WITH US? WHAT OPPORTUNITIES DO WE HAVE TO BRING  
2 DOWN THE COSTS? TO EXPAND THE OPPORTUNITY OF CONTACTS,  
3 MAILINGS? HOW DO WE REFINE A MESSAGE? THE NUMBER OF PHONE  
4 CALLS THAT YOU'RE GETTING IN REGARD TO THIS? AND GRAFFITI'S A  
5 PERFECT EXAMPLE. HOW DO WE ENCOURAGE THAT? HOW DO WE CONNECT  
6 IT MORE EFFECTIVELY? I GUESS THAT'S WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT IN  
7 MARKETING. IT ISN'T JUST, YOU KNOW, GETTING A FIRM TO TELL  
8 YOU, THIS IS THE FIVE THINGS YOU SHOULD DO AND THIS IS WHAT  
9 WE'RE GOING TO CHARGE YOU TO DO THESE FIVE THINGS. I THINK  
10 IT'S A MUCH MORE COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH TO HOW WE MARKET 2-1-  
11 1.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE:** THE ONLY THING I WAS SUGGESTING IS PERHAPS IF THEY  
14 HAVE ALREADY-- YOU SAID A PLAN. SO I ASSUMED THAT WHAT YOU  
15 WANTED TO SEE WAS THE PLAN. WHAT I JUST WONDER IS DO WE HAVE  
16 TO WAIT UNTIL SEPTEMBER TO GET STARTED ON IT? IF THEY ALREADY  
17 HAVE A PLAN, PERHAPS THEY COULD SHARE IT WITH YOU...

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA:** I DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THEM BRINGING IT NEXT  
20 WEEK IF THEY ARE READY THEN.

21

22 **SUP. BURKE:** OKAY. BUT YOU WANT TO HAVE INPUT INTO IT, INTO THE  
23 PLAN?

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1   **SUP. MOLINA:** I THINK THE DEPARTMENT HAS NOT-- THE C.E.O. AND  
2   THE DEPARTMENTS HAVE NOT HAD AN OPPORTUNITY-- HONESTLY, AND,  
3   BRYCE, HELP ME HERE, HAS IT NOT JUST BEEN TREATED AS A  
4   CONTRACT? WILL YOU GUYS LET US KNOW? WE REALLY AREN'T MAKING  
5   USE OF IT LIKE IT'S OUR SYSTEM. THIS IS NOT JUST A MATTER OF,  
6   YOU KNOW, MARIBEL DOING A GOOD JOB IN TRYING TO MANAGE IT.  
7   WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO US? HOW DO WE USE IT? HOW DO WE INTERFACE  
8   WITH IT?

9

10   **BRYCE YOKOMIZO:** SUPERVISOR, YOUR BOARD IS ABSOLUTELY CORRECT.  
11   I THINK-- WHAT WE REALLY-- WHAT WE'VE OFTENTIMES DONE WITH  
12   CONTRACTORS IS WE SAY, THIS IS YOUR JOB, YOU GUYS GO OUT AND  
13   DO IT AND THAT'S WHERE IT ENDS RIGHT THERE. AND WHAT WE HAVE  
14   TO HAVE A GREATER UNDERSTANDING OF IS THEY'RE HERE TO HELP THE  
15   PUBLIC AND WE, AS COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AND THE COUNTY, WE ARE  
16   HERE TO SERVE THE COUNTY AS WELL. SO WE NEED THAT ONGOING  
17   INTEGRATION OF THOSE SERVICES AND THE INFORMATION SO THAT WE  
18   CAN IDENTIFY WHETHER OR NOT WE'RE DOING A GOOD JOB WITH THE  
19   SERVICES WE PROVIDE AND THIS IS ONE WAY THAT WE CAN GET INPUT  
20   BACK FROM THEM. AND THIS IS PART OF WHAT WE REALLY NEED TO  
21   EVALUATE, TO MAKE THINGS BETTER. IF THEY FIND OUT, FOR  
22   EXAMPLE, DOWN AT 2-1-1, THAT WE HAVE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS THAT  
23   ARE NOT BEING RESPONSIVE, FOR EXAMPLE, OR ARE NOT PROVIDING  
24   THE SERVICES THAT THEY MIGHT HAVE EXPECTED, WE, AS COUNTY  
25   GOVERNMENT, WE WANT TO KNOW ABOUT THAT SO THAT WE CAN ADDRESS





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1 THOSE ISSUES TO MAKE THE SYSTEM BETTER FOR CONTINUED  
2 IMPROVEMENT.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. KNABE?

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6 **SUP. KNABE:** I MEAN, AS AN EXAMPLE, BACK IN DECEMBER OF 2006  
7 WHEN THIS CONTRACT WAS BEFORE US, WE TALKED AND DISCUSSED  
8 ABOUT ENHANCING THE OUTREACH IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS, AS  
9 AN EXAMPLE. AND IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING, AS OF RIGHT NOW, THE  
10 CALL VOLUME HAS ACTUALLY DECREASED IN THE UNINCORPORATED  
11 AREAS. SO, IF WE WERE FOCUSING ON OUTREACH, I MEAN, YOU KNOW,  
12 IT'S SORT OF A HARD THING TO EXPLAIN OR TO UNDERSTAND WHY THE  
13 NUMBERS WENT DOWN. I DON'T KNOW IF YOU HAVE AN ANSWER FOR  
14 THAT.

15

16 **MARIBEL MARIN:** I CAN RESPOND TO THAT. I THINK WHEN YOU'RE  
17 LOOKING AT THE NUMBERS THAT ARE DECLINING, YOU'RE REALLY  
18 REFERRING TO THE CODE ENFORCEMENT LINE. WHEN WE LOOK AT THE  
19 CALL VOLUME THAT'S COMING IN FROM THE UNINCORPORATED AREA ZIP  
20 CODES, THEY ACTUALLY REPRESENT OVER 40 PERCENT OF OUR CALL  
21 VOLUME CONSISTENTLY, MONTH AFTER MONTH. IT'S JUST THAT THE  
22 UNINCORPORATED AREAS ARE CALLING FOR A NUMBER OF PURPOSES, NOT  
23 JUST THE CODE ENFORCEMENT LINE BUT THEY'RE CALLING THE GENERAL  
24 2-1-1 AND THEY'RE CHOOSING THE OTHER OPTIONS AS WELL. SO I  
25 THINK WHAT YOU'RE REALLY LOOKING AT IS AN ISSUE ABOUT CODE



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1 ENFORCEMENT AND MARKETING THE CODE ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM ITSELF  
2 AND, YOU KNOW...

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, THAT'S ONE PORTION OF IT. I MEAN, THAT'S A  
5 VERY IMPORTANT, PARTICULARLY TO SUPERVISOR MOLINA AND MYSELF,  
6 THE CODE VIOLATIONS AND CODE ENFORCEMENT, WE'RE HELPING TO  
7 MARKET THAT. IN OUR NEWSLETTERS AND PUBLICATIONS, WE ARE  
8 ADVOCATING 2-1-1 FOR CODE ENFORCEMENT AND CODE VIOLATION.  
9 ANOTHER EXAMPLE, ONE I THOUGHT MAYBE THERE WAS AN OPPORTUNITY  
10 TO INCORPORATE SAFE SURRENDER INTO THE 2-1-1 BUT IT ABSOLUTELY  
11 JUST TAKES TOO MUCH TIME AND, YOU KNOW, TO TRANSFER AND, YOU  
12 KNOW, TO GET THE RIGHT PERSON ON THE LINE SO WE CONTINUE TO  
13 USE OUR 800 NUMBER. BUT ON CODE ENFORCEMENT AND CODE  
14 VIOLATIONS, AT LEAST WE TRIED TO ENHANCE IT. I WOULD JUST  
15 HOPE, WITHIN THE CONFINES OF THESE DOLLARS, THAT WHATEVER  
16 MARKETING PLAN THAT WE DO DO THAT, I MEAN, I UNDERSTAND  
17 REMOVING THE LANGUAGE ABOUT THE UNINCORPORATED AREA BUT, I  
18 MEAN, IT'S A CRITICAL ELEMENT, THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF THIS  
19 COUNTY IS A CRITICAL ELEMENT TO THIS 2-1-1 BECAUSE, YOU KNOW,  
20 WE ARE THEIR MAYOR, CITY COUNCIL, POLICE CHIEF, FIRE CHIEF AND  
21 EVERYTHING ELSE. AND, YOU KNOW, WE'RE OUT THERE ADVOCATING ON  
22 BEHALF OF 2-1-1. SO HOPEFULLY WHATEVER PLAN COMES BACK--  
23 BECAUSE, FOR THIS 250,000, YOU'RE ADVOCATING THAT YOU CAN  
24 INCREASE THE CALL VOLUME BY SOME 40,000 CALLS. I MEAN, THAT'S--  
25 - INCREASE IT BY 40,000 CALLS FOR \$250,000, THAT'S PRETTY



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1    UNIQUE BUT HOW, WHAT, WHERE AND WHY ARE THOSE 40,000 CALLS,  
2    WHO ARE THEY, I THINK THAT'S PART OF SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S  
3    MOTION A MORE DEFINITIVE ANSWER INSTEAD OF JUST LOOKING AT A  
4    NUMBER, 40,000. WHERE ARE THEY GOING TO BE COMING FROM? WHAT  
5    PARTICULAR AREA ARE WE GOING TO BE FOCUSING ON?

6

7    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I WOULD JUST, TO CLARIFY, I DON'T  
8    THINK I WAS SUGGESTING THAT IT NOT FOCUS ON UNINCORPORATED BUT  
9    NOT AT THE EXPENSE OF EVERYTHING ELSE.

10

11    **SUP. KNABE:** OH, NO, NO.

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13    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** BECAUSE SOME OF MY CITIES GET  
14    THEIR SERVICES FROM THE COUNTY. SOME OF THE BUILDING AND  
15    SAFETY AND OTHER THINGS SO CODE ENFORCEMENT.

16

17    **SUP. KNABE:** CONTRACT CITIES, YEAH, ABSOLUTELY.

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19    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH, SO, AND THEN-- BUT I THINK  
20    THE LION'S SHARE, AND I'D BE CURIOUS, I REALLY SHOULD HAVE  
21    ASKED THIS BEFORE, BUT I'D BE CURIOUS WHAT THE NATURE OF THE  
22    CALLS. I DON'T KNOW IF YOU'RE ABLE TO DETERMINE WHERE THEY'RE  
23    COMING FROM BUT MY BET IS THAT A HUGE CHUNK, IF NOT THE LION'S  
24    SHARE OF THE CALLS COMING OUT OF MY DISTRICT ARE PROBABLY ON  
25    ISSUES OF CHILD WELFARE AND WELFARE ITSELF, ISSUES RELATING,



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1 HEALTH, COUNTYWIDE SERVICES. THAT'S THE WAY WE'VE ADVERTISED  
2 IT THROUGH OUR WEBSITE TO OUR CONSTITUENCY BECAUSE MOST OF MY  
3 CONSTITUENCY IS IN THE CITY OF L.A. BUT I HAVE A LOT OF PEOPLE  
4 WHO DEPEND ON COUNTY SERVICES IN THAT PART OF THE CITY. SO,  
5 ANYWAY, I THINK IT'S-- I JUST HAD ONE QUESTION I WANTED TO ASK  
6 ON THE FIRST PART OF SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S MOTION TO DO A REVIEW  
7 OF-- A SURVEY OF WHAT YOU'RE DOING NOW, ARE YOU NOT REQUIRED  
8 NOW UNDER THE CONTRACT TO DO THAT?

9

10 **MARIBEL MARIN:** YES, WE ARE. AND WE DO PROVIDE DATA ON A  
11 QUARTERLY BASIS REGARDING THE CUSTOMER SATISFACTION.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO, IN RESPONSE TO SUPERVISOR  
14 MOLINA'S REQUEST, IT WOULD BE FOLDED INTO THAT REQUIREMENT OF  
15 YOUR CONTRACT, AS OPPOSED TO SPENDING ANOTHER CHUNK OF DOUGH  
16 TO DO A SURVEY ON TOP OF THE SURVEY, I'M ASKING, IS THAT YOUR  
17 INTENT? IS THAT YOUR UNDERSTANDING? COULD YOU DO IT THAT WAY?

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19 **MARIBEL MARIN:** WELL, WE CAN...

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21 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHAT I'M SAYING IS THE C.E.O. HAS TO DEVELOP  
22 THAT. I MEAN, I DON'T KNOW THAT WE'RE PAYING EXTRA FOR IT.  
23 RIGHT NOW, THEY'RE GATHERING THE INFORMATION BUT THEY'RE NOT  
24 EVALUATING, WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT, AS TO WHAT HAPPENED TO THAT  
25 PHONE CALL. THEY KNOW YOU MADE A PHONE CALL IN THE COMP



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1 CENTER. THEY JUST DON'T KNOW WHAT HAPPENED. THEY COLLECT THAT  
2 PART. THEY DON'T COLLECT THE OTHER PORTION. SO THEY NEED TO  
3 DEVELOP SOMETHING AS TO HOW THEY'RE GOING TO START LOOKING AT  
4 HOW WE'RE DEALING WITH IT.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. TO THE EXTENT  
7 THAT YOU CAN MERGE ALL OF THAT, BECAUSE THEY'RE REQUIRED TO DO  
8 THAT, SOME OF THAT, AS PART OF THEIR CONTRACT.

9

10 **MARIBEL MARIN:** WELL, YEAH, WE'RE REQUIRED TO DO CUSTOMER  
11 SATISFACTION RELATED TO THE SERVICES THAT WE PROVIDE TO OUR  
12 CUSTOMERS. BUT I THINK THAT WHAT'S BEING ASKED OF US IS THAT  
13 WE DO FOLLOW-UP TO FIND OUT WHETHER THE SERVICES THAT THEY  
14 RECEIVED AT THE OTHER END ACTUALLY TOOK PLACE AND THEN FOLLOW  
15 UP WITH THE DEPARTMENTS, WHICH IS REALLY ANOTHER STEP, WHICH  
16 WE DON'T DO NOW, WHICH WE WOULD HAVE TO LOOK INTO HOW TO  
17 INCORPORATE THAT.

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** HOW ARE WE GOING TO DO THAT? IS IT  
20 GOING TO BE ON A KIND OF RANDOM SAMPLE BASIS? I DON'T THINK  
21 YOU CAN CALL EVERY SINGLE PERSON. IT WOULD BE A HUGE EXPENSE.

22

23 **SPEAKER:** WE HAVE SOMETHING LIKE A SERVICE REQUEST LOG SO THAT,  
24 WHEN THE REQUEST IS SUBMITTED THROUGH 2-1-1 TO A DEPARTMENT,



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1 THE DEPARTMENT WOULD PROVIDE SOME INFORMATION OF THE OUTCOME  
2 AND SAY "DONE", IT COULD BE SOMETHING VERY SIMPLE.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, YOU'LL REPORT BACK.

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6 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND SOME ANALYSIS, AS WELL. MR. KNABE JUST  
7 MENTIONED ABOUT BUILDING AND SAFETY, CODE ENFORCEMENT, THAT  
8 KIND OF ISSUE. WELL, MAYBE IT'S GONE DOWN BECAUSE PEOPLE WHO  
9 CALL HAVE TO WAIT FOUR AND SIX WEEKS TO GET A RESPONSE.

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** EXACTLY. OR FOUR TO SIX HOURS TO  
12 GET A LIVE VOICE.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA:** THAT'S AN ANALYSIS THAT NEEDS TO BE MADE SO THAT  
15 PEOPLE UNDERSTAND, "CERTAINLY, WE'D LIKE TO REFER YOU" AND  
16 MAKE SURE THAT THE CALLER UNDERSTANDS THAT, NO, THEY'RE NOT  
17 COMING OUT TOMORROW. WE'LL PROBABLY SCHEDULE SOMETHING AND,  
18 RIGHT NOW, IT TAKES ANYWHERE FROM 4 TO 6 WEEKS FOR SOMEBODY TO  
19 COME OUT. I THINK THAT'S JUST A REALITY OF CONNECTING THOSE  
20 SERVICES INSTEAD OF JUST THROWING IT OUT TO THEM TO CARRY IT  
21 OUT. WE JUST AREN'T RELATING THAT BACK INTO OUR OPERATION AND  
22 WHAT WE DO.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN IN  
25 OPERATION NOW, THE 2- 1-1?



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2 **MARIBEL MARIN:** SINCE 1981. WE LAUNCHED THE 2-1-1 IN 2005,  
3 JULY, 2005.

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO IT'S BEEN A COUPLE YEARS. SO  
6 IT'S A GOOD TIME TO TAKE STOCK AND SEE HOW WE CAN RATCHET IT  
7 UP. IS THERE ANY OBJECTION TO SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S MOTION AS  
8 AMENDED? [ INAUDIBLE ]

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOU HAVEN'T SUBMITTED A CARD, I'M  
11 SORRY. WE HAVE NO CARDS ON THIS ITEM.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE:** I JUST WANTED TO KNOW IF SUPERVISOR MOLINA WAS  
14 WILLING TO HAVE THE REPORT BACK IN THE EARLIER IN TERMS OF  
15 THE...

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** LET'S DO IT IN TWO WEEKS. FIRST  
18 MEETING OF AUGUST.

19

20 **SUP. BURKE:** BUT THEY SHOULD DISTRIBUTE THE PLAN TO ALL OF US.

21

22 **SPEAKER:** IMMEDIATELY.

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1    **SUP. BURKE:** YEAH, SO IF WE HAVE THE PLAN, THEN YOU CAN RESPOND  
2    BACK IN TWO WEEKS. BUT, IF THEY HAVE THE PLAN, THEY SHOULD  
3    GIVE IT TO US NOW.

4

5    **MARIBEL MARIN:** OKAY.

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7    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, THANK YOU. OKAY. WITHOUT  
8    OBJECTION, MOLINA MOVES, KNABE SECONDS; WITHOUT OBJECTION,  
9    UNANIMOUS VOTE. THAT WAS ITEM 36-- 37?

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11   **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THAT WAS A CONTINUED ITEM BY THE C.E.O.

12

13   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IT WASN'T THE LIBRARY TAX?

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15   **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** NO. ITEM 37 IS THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
16   SERVICES.

17

18   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** 37?

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20   **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 37.

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22   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IT GOES FROM 36 TO 38.

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24   **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 37 IS NOT ON. 37 WAS CONTINUED.

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1    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DID I SAY 37? I'M SORRY. 38.

2

3    **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 38.

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5    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** BAD DAY.

6

7    **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THAT'S THE LIBRARY TAX.

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9    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YES, 38 IS BEFORE US. IS THERE ANY  
10 DISCUSSION?

11

12    **SUP. KNABE:** YES.

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14    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. KNABE.

15

16    **SUP. KNABE:** I DON'T KNOW THAT WE HAVE-- LAST YEAR, THE BOARD  
17 MADE THE DECISION NOT TO INCREASE THE SPECIAL TAX 2 PERCENT  
18 BECAUSE, OBVIOUSLY, OUR COUNTY PROPERTY TAX WAS UP AND THE  
19 BOARD ALLOCATED SOME PROP 62 FUNDS FOR LIBRARY SERVICES AT THE  
20 COUNTY LIBRARIES IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS. AGAIN THIS YEAR,  
21 OUR PROPERTY TAXES ARE UP BY, I AM TOLD, '07/'08 OVER '06/'07  
22 ABOUT 6.4 MILLION. THE TOTAL REVENUE FOR THE LIBRARY IS ALMOST  
23 5.3 MILLION HIGHER IN '07/'08 THAN IT WAS IN '06/'07. AND,  
24 AGAIN, I GUESS, YOU KNOW, I LOOK AT THE RECOMMENDATION BEFORE  
25 US, WHETHER IT WAS GIVEN A CHART, 0 PERCENT, 2 PERCENT, 4



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1 PERCENT, AND, EVEN AT 4 PERCENT, THE LIBRARY HAD THE AUDACITY  
2 TO SAY THAT THEY'RE GOING TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF BOOKS THAT  
3 THEY'RE GOING TO PURCHASE. YOUR REVENUES WERE UP LAST YEAR.  
4 YOUR REVENUES WERE UP THIS YEAR. YOU'RE ASKING FOR A 4 PERCENT  
5 INCREASE THIS YEAR. AND, EVEN WITH 4 PERCENT, YOU'RE  
6 RECOMMENDING YOU'RE GOING TO CUT THE BOOK PURCHASING PLAN. I  
7 MEAN-- AND YOU'RE GOING TO CUT IT WHETHER IT'S 0, 2 OR 4. SO,  
8 YOU KNOW, THAT'S MY PROBLEM WITH THIS, AGAIN, WITH THIS  
9 INCREASE. IT'S NOT THAT I WOULDN'T SUPPORT SOMETHING, MAYBE  
10 THE 2 PERCENT THIS YEAR BUT, I MEAN, IF YOU SUPPORT 4 PERCENT  
11 JUST TO TRY TO CATCH UP, WHEN WE HAD A VERY GOOD REASON AND I  
12 UNDERSTAND THE C.A.O., C.E.O., IT'S THEIR RECOMMENDATION BUT  
13 IT'S REALLY A BOARD POLICY DECISION OF HOW THESE FUNDS ARE  
14 ALLOCATED. SO I HAVE A REAL CONCERN FOR THIS. I MEAN, THERE'S  
15 NO WAY I'M GOING TO SUPPORT 4 PERCENT AND CUT A BOOK BUDGET.  
16 WHY WOULD WE DO THAT?

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** CAN WE GET A RESPONSE?

19

20 **LARI SHEEHAN:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MR. KNABE...

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** LARI, WHO IS THE PERSON NEXT TO  
23 YOU?

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1   **LARI SHEEHAN:** THIS IS TERRI MCGUIRE AND SHE'S CHIEF DEPUTY FOR  
2   THE PUBLIC LIBRARY DEPARTMENT. AND I'M LARI SHEEHAN WITH THE  
3   CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE. AS YOU'RE AWARE, THIS REGARDS A  
4   SPECIAL TAX WHICH WAS APPROVED BY THE VOTERS IN 1997. IT  
5   INCLUDES 11 CITIES THAT HAVE 15 LIBRARIES IN THEM AND THEN 29  
6   UNINCORPORATED AREA LIBRARIES. SO IT'S THE ENTIRE  
7   UNINCORPORATED AREA AND 11 CITIES AND THEY VOTED TO APPROVE A  
8   SPECIAL TAX TO AUGMENT LIBRARY SERVICES WITHIN THOSE LIBRARIES  
9   AND THOSE JURISDICTIONS. SO THE QUESTION IS ONE OF THE GENERAL  
10   FUND CONTRIBUTION THAT THE BOARD IS MAKING TO THE LIBRARY HAS-  
11   - IS EXPECTED TO BE USED LIBRARY SYSTEM WIDE. AND THE LIBRARY  
12   SYSTEM INCLUDES 51 CITIES, AS WELL AS THE UNINCORPORATED, 84  
13   LIBRARIES. SO THE SPECIAL TAX WAS FOR A LIMITED SET OF THE  
14   ENTIRE LIBRARY SYSTEM AND THAT'S WHY WE'RE BEFORE YOU TODAY  
15   RECOMMENDING THAT THE AUGMENTED SERVICES PAID BY THAT SPECIAL  
16   TAX HAVE-- THE COST OF THOSE HAS EXCEEDED THE INCREASES IN THE  
17   SPECIAL TAX. AND YOU'RE CORRECT, LAST YEAR YOUR BOARD VOTED  
18   NOT TO INCREASE THE TAX AND WE ARE RECOMMENDING THAT YOU  
19   INCREASE IT THIS YEAR BECAUSE THE AUGMENTED SERVICES AND THE  
20   COST OF THOSE SERVICES HAS FALLEN BEHIND BUT THE TAX IS-- THE  
21   SPECIAL AUGMENTED TAX IS PRODUCING. NOW, YOU ARE PROVIDING  
22   GENERAL FUND SUPPORT TO THE LIBRARY. THE LIBRARY ALSO GETS A  
23   SHARE OF THE 1 PERCENT LOCAL PROPERTY TAX. BUT, AGAIN, IN AN  
24   EQUITABLE STANDPOINT, THOSE ARE DOLLARS. AGAIN, IT'S A POLICY  
25   DECISION FOR YOUR BOARD. BUT THOSE ARE DOLLARS WHICH SHOULD BE



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1 USED THROUGHOUT THE LIBRARY SYSTEM AS OPPOSED TO JUST IN THE  
2 AUGMENTED WHERE WE AUGMENTED SERVICES BASED ON THE SPECIAL  
3 TAX.

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5 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT, I MEAN, WE ALSO MADE THE PROMISE, WHEN WE  
6 VOTED THE SPECIAL TAX, THAT THOSE AREAS THAT WERE SUPPORTING  
7 IT WOULD GET COMPLETE SERVICES, IS THAT NOT CORRECT? I MEAN  
8 WHY WOULD YOU-- YOU'RE TELLING US TO GO BACK TO THE AREAS THAT  
9 VOTER APPROVED AND SAY WE'RE STILL GOING TO REDUCE YOUR BOOK  
10 BUDGET BUT WE'RE GOING TO RAISE 4 PERCENT?

11

12 **LARI SHEEHAN:** THAT'S CORRECT. THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT WE'RE  
13 SAYING. THE ONLY OTHER OPTION IS TO TAKE THE DOLLARS THAT  
14 WOULD BE USED SYSTEM WIDE, WHICH WOULD OFFSET SOME OF THAT,  
15 AND PUT IT INTO THOSE LIBRARIES THAT HAVE TO HAVE THE SPECIAL  
16 TAX.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** THERE IS NO WAY I WILL SUPPORT 4 PERCENT. I MEAN,  
19 IF SOMEBODY WANTS TO MAKE AN AMENDMENT TO GO 2 PERCENT, THEN I  
20 MIGHT BE WILLING TO CONSIDER THAT BUT I'M NOT...

21

22 **SUP. BURKE:** WHAT WOULD BE THE IMPACT OF THE 2 PERCENT? WHERE  
23 WOULD WE BE IF WE REDUCED DOWN THAT FAR?

24



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1   **LARI SHEEHAN:** THE 2 PERCENT WOULD TAKE US-- THE 2 PERCENT, I'M  
2   SORRY, I NEED TO PULL OUT A CHART HERE.

3

4   **SUP. KNABE:** IT'S WORTH ABOUT 230,000-- IT'S ONLY WORTH ABOUT  
5   230,000, 2 PERCENT.

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7   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ISN'T PART OF THE PROBLEM OR PART  
8   OF THE REASON FOR THIS SITUATION THAT SUPERVISOR KNABE  
9   MENTIONS IS THAT, FOR THE LAST SEVERAL YEARS, WE HEAVILY  
10   INVESTED GENERAL FUND MONEY FOR SOME OF THESE PURPOSES?

11

12   **SPEAKER:** YOU KNOW, THAT IS THE BOTTOM LINE WHERE YOUR COSTS  
13   AND THEN PRIOR INCREASES HAVE NOT KEPT PACE WITH THE COST TO  
14   PROVIDE THIS SERVICE IN THESE AREAS. SO, AS A CONSEQUENCE, TO  
15   MAINTAIN A SIMILAR LEVEL OF SERVICE IN THESE AREAS, AS YOU  
16   HAVE THROUGHOUT THE REST OF THE COUNTY, THERE WILL BE A  
17   GENERAL FUND SUBSIDY. I UNDERSTAND...

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19   **SUP. KNABE:** WOULD THERE BE A GENERAL FUND SUBSIDY AT 4  
20   PERCENT?

21

22   **SPEAKER:** ABSOLUTELY. BUT...

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24   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I MEANT AT 4 PERCENT. THAT'S WHAT  
25   I WAS REFERRING TO, YEAH.



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2 **SPEAKER:** IT WOULD BE LESS OF A SUBSIDY. OH, ABSOLUTELY.

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4 **SUP. KNABE:** 460,000 LAST YEAR.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** RIGHT.

7

8 **SPEAKER:** WHAT'S IMPORTANT-- THIS IS SIMILAR TO WHAT HAPPENED  
9 WITH THE RESTAURANT INSPECTION FEE, WHERE, AS A BASIC POLICY,  
10 THE FEE SHOULD SUPPORT THAT SERVICE. THIS IS A DIFFICULT  
11 DECISION BECAUSE I WOULD NEVER ADVOCATE PROVIDING A LOWER  
12 LEVEL OF SERVICE IN ONE AREA THAN WE WOULD THROUGHOUT OTHER  
13 PARTS OF THE COUNTY. THERE'S A BASIC FAIRNESS ISSUE THERE. BUT  
14 WHAT YOU HAVE BEFORE YOU IS A 4% INCREASE THAT ABSOLUTELY WILL  
15 STILL RESULT IN SOME DEGREE OF SUBSIDY.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT IS THE HISTORY OF OUR RAISING  
18 THE LIBRARY TAX? WE HAVEN'T RAISED THE LIBRARY TAX EVERY YEAR,  
19 EVEN THOUGH WE'RE ENTITLED TO, IS THAT CORRECT?

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21 **LARI SHEEHAN:** THAT IS CORRECT.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE:** LAST YEAR WAS THE FIRST YEAR WE DIDN'T RAISE IT.

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1    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'M NOT SURE THAT'S CORRECT BUT I  
2    MAY BE WRONG.

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4    **LARI SHEEHAN:** YOU'VE RAISED IT, I BELIEVE, EVERY YEAR...

5

6    **SUP. KNABE:** EXCEPT LAST YEAR.

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8    **LARI SHEEHAN:** EXCEPT FOR LAST YEAR. 2000/2001 FISCAL YEAR,  
9    2002, '03 AND 2006/'07, YOU DID NOT INCREASE IT.

10

11   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'M SORRY? THREE YEARS WE DID NOT  
12   RAISE IT?

13

14   **LARI SHEEHAN:** YES.

15

16   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. AND WE'VE HAD IT SINCE '98.

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18   **LARI SHEEHAN:** '97.

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20   **SPEAKER:** THAT'S WHY WE'RE SO FAR BEHIND.

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22   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH, EXACTLY. SO, LIKE, 30  
23   PERCENT OF THE OPPORTUNITIES WE'VE HAD, WE'VE NOT AVAILED  
24   OURSELVES AND THAT'S-- AND WE'VE TAKEN CARE OF THAT THROUGH  
25   GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS.



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**SUP. BURKE:** I'LL TELL YOU WHAT REALLY BOTHERS ME IS THAT THOSE CITIES THAT VOTED, I DON'T WANT TO SEE THEM LOSE THE SERVICES WHILE WE GIVE CITIES THAT DIDN'T VOTE, THAT WE GIVE THEM SOME BOOKS. AND I KNOW THAT WE WANT TO CERTAINLY MAKE AVAILABLE AS TO AS MANY CITIES AS POSSIBLE MINIMUM SERVICES IN OUR LIBRARIES. BUT THE PART THAT HAS BOTHERED ME IS THAT THERE WERE SOME CITIES WHO CAME FORWARD AND SAID, "OKAY, I'M GOING TO VOTE FOR THIS" AND THEY ARE BEING TAXED. AND WE TAX THEM AND THEN THOSE WHO DIDN'T VOTE, THEY GET SOME BENEFITS. NOT A LOT BUT THEY DO GET SOME BENEFITS. BUT WHAT I'M REALLY INTERESTED IN IS WHAT THE IMPACT WOULD BE IF YOU CAME-- IF YOU DIDN'T GET THE FULL 4 PERCENT.

14

**LARI SHEEHAN:** I BELIEVE WE'VE PROVIDED SEVERAL CHARTS ON THAT. BUT IF IT'S-- I NEED TO DIG OUT...

17

**SUP. BURKE:** IT'S 240,000.

19

**SUP. KNABE:** EVERY 2 PERCENT IS 230 OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT. 4 PERCENT WOULD BE 460,000.

22

**SUP. BURKE:** WHAT IS THE IMPACT OF THAT 240? WHAT DO YOU SEE AS WHAT YOU'LL REDUCE?

25



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1   **LARI SHEEHAN:** IF WE HAVE 2 PERCENT, WE'RE GOING TO BE DOWN--  
2   TERRI, CAN YOU-- I BELIEVE WE'RE DOWN VOLUMES, 22,000 VOLUMES  
3   IF IT'S 4 PERCENT. AND WE WOULD BE DOWN ANOTHER 11 ON TOP OF  
4   THAT. SO WE WOULD BE DOWN ABOUT-- IF IT WAS JUST 2 PERCENT, WE  
5   WOULD BE DOWN AROUND ABOUT 34,000 VOLUMES IN THESE LIBRARIES,  
6   THESE 29 UNINCORPORATED AREA LIBRARIES AND 15 CITY LIBRARIES.  
7   IT'S VOLUMES. WE HAVE NOT CUT INTO THE HOURS AT THIS TIME.

8

9   **SUP. BURKE:** IT'S THE VOLUMES YOU WOULD BE PROVIDING.

10

11   **LARI SHEEHAN:** THROUGH THIS SPECIAL TAX. NOW, AS SUPERVISOR  
12   KNABE HAS INDICATED, YOU ARE PUTTING GENERAL FUND INTO THE  
13   LIBRARY, A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF GENERAL FUND INTO THE  
14   LIBRARY. THAT SHOULD BE SPREAD SYSTEM WIDE SO SOME OF THIS  
15   WILL BE TAKEN CARE OF WITH THAT BECAUSE THEY WILL BE GETTING  
16   VOLUMES BUT THE DECREASE IN THE VOLUMES WOULD BE ABOUT...

17

18   **SUP. BURKE:** IS THERE A REQUEST FOR GENERAL FUND THAT WOULD  
19   MAKE UP FOR THAT 240? COULD WE DO THAT?

20

21   **LARI SHEEHAN:** AGAIN, IT'S A QUESTION OF EQUITY FROM MY  
22   PERSPECTIVE. I MEAN, THE PEOPLE IN THIS AREA VOTED TO HAVE AN  
23   AUGMENTED SERVICE AND THEY VOTED TO TAX THEMSELVES. WE HAVE A  
24   RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE ENTIRE LIBRARY SYSTEM. THAT'S WHAT THE  
25   PART OF THE 1 PERCENT GOES FOR. AND YOUR BOARD, AS A POLICY



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1 DECISION, HOW YOU USE THE GENERAL FUND CONTRIBUTION TO THE  
2 LIBRARY. BUT, AGAIN, THE GENERAL FUND IS A FUND THAT ALL THE  
3 TAXPAYERS OF THE LIBRARY SYSTEM AND THE COUNTY, FOR THAT  
4 MATTER, CONTRIBUTE TO. SO IT'S AN EQUITY ISSUE. IT'S  
5 DEFINITELY A POLICY ISSUE.

6

7 **SUP. BURKE:** YOU KNOW, I'M WILLING TO VOTE FOR THE 4 PERCENT  
8 BUT I'D REALLY LIKE TO SEE SOME MECHANISM OF WHERE WE STOP  
9 ADDING MORE MONEY AND MORE ASSESSMENTS TO THEM. SOME OF MY  
10 CITIES CAME FORWARD AND VOTED BUT SOME OF THEM DID NOT VOTE  
11 FOR IT. THEY VOTED IT DOWN. AND I REALLY WOULD LIKE TO SEE  
12 SOME...

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, THEY GET THE SAME HOURS, YOU KNOW, AS THOSE  
15 THAT VOTED. I MEAN, IF YOU TALK ABOUT AN ISSUE OF EQUITY.

16

17 **SUP. BURKE:** IT'S NOT EQUITY. WELL, THEY GET THE SAME HOURS BUT  
18 THE THING IS, THEY DON'T GET THE SAME HOURS BUT THEY GET A LOT  
19 OF THE BOOKS, THAT'S IT.

20

21 **SPEAKER:** THERE IS A BASIC BOOK BUDGET THAT IS ALLOCATED OUT TO  
22 ALL 84 LIBRARIES TO BEGIN WITH. THE SPECIAL TAX BOOK MATERIALS  
23 MONEY GOES ON TOP OF THAT BASIC ALLOCATION. THE HOURS IN THE  
24 NONSPECIAL TAX LIBRARIES ARE NOT NECESSARILY AS GENEROUS AS  
25 THE HOURS IN THE SPECIAL TAX LIBRARIES.



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2 **SUP. BURKE:** SO ACTUALLY IT GOES TO THE HOURS AND ADDITIONAL  
3 BOOKS. SO IT IS NOT TRUE THAT SOME OF THIS GOES TO-- SOME OF  
4 THE SPECIAL TAX GOES TO OTHER LIBRARIES?

5

6 **LARI SHEEHAN:** WELL, THERE ARE, AS I UNDERSTAND IT, THERE ARE  
7 13 CITY LIBRARIES WHERE THE UNINCORPORATED AREA THAT'S PAYING  
8 THE TAX, AND I DON'T WANT TO CONFUSE THIS, THAT ARE PAYING THE  
9 AUGMENTED TAX USE THOSE LIBRARIES. THEY DO GET SOME BOOK  
10 BUDGET IN THOSE 13 LIBRARIES. AND I WOULD JUST ALSO LIKE TO  
11 COMMENT THAT THE PUBLIC LIBRARIAN AND I HAVE DISCUSSED THE  
12 FACT THAT WE NEED TO SIT DOWN AND COME UP WITH A GOOD  
13 STRATEGIC FINANCIAL PLAN FOR THE PUBLIC LIBRARY AS A WHOLE  
14 BECAUSE THERE'S VARIOUS SOURCES OF FUNDING, GENERAL FUND,  
15 THEIR OWN 1%, PROP 62, WHICH IS JUST UNINCORPORATED PLUS A  
16 SPECIAL TAX. WE NEED TO GET A GOOD PLAN...

17

18 **SUP. BURKE:** I UNDERSTAND NOW HOW IT WORKS. SINCE IT'S  
19 UNINCORPORATED AND THEY ARE PAYING THE TAX, THERE ARE SOME  
20 CITIES THAT USE THOSE UNINCORPORATED LIBRARIES AND THEY HAVE  
21 THE BENEFIT OF IT, IS THAT WHAT HAPPENS?

22

23 **LARI SHEEHAN:** THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES, THEIR PRIMARY  
24 LIBRARY IS IN ONE OF OUR CITIES.

25



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1   **SUP. KNABE:** SOME OF THE SOUTH WHITTIER FOLKS IN THE  
2   UNINCORPORATED AREA GO INTO CITIES LIKE LA MIRADA AND OTHERS  
3   TO USE THAT LIBRARY. IT'S A COUNTY LIBRARY BUT IT PHYSICALLY  
4   RESIDES IN A INCORPORATED CITY.

5

6   **SUP. BURKE:** MAYBE THEY NEED TO DO LIKE SANTA MONICA DOES IN  
7   ORDER TO GO TO THE DOG PARK. IF YOU DON'T LIVE IN THE-- YOU  
8   HAVE TO PAY SOMETHING TO USE IT.

9

10   **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, I JUST HAVE A HARD TIME WITH 4 PERCENT AND  
11   STILL CUTTING THE BOOK BUDGET. I MEAN, THE WHOLE ISSUE, I  
12   MEAN, I DON'T THINK THE CONSTITUENT UNDERSTANDS IT'S BOOK  
13   BUDGETS VERSUS-- AS LONG AS YOU DON'T REDUCE HOURS. BUT I  
14   THINK WHAT THEY WILL UNDERSTAND IS WHEN THEY GET THEIR TAX  
15   BILL AND THE WHOLE ISSUE IN ORANGE COUNTY BLEW UP BECAUSE OVER  
16   RECAPTURE. THIS LOOKS LIKE A RECAPTURE ISSUE. I THINK YOU'RE  
17   GOING TO HAVE PROBLEMS WITH THAT WITH THE TAXPAYERS AND I AM  
18   NOT GOING TO SUPPORT 4 PERCENT. IF YOU MOVE FORWARD, FINE,  
19   JUST RECORD ME AS A NO VOTE.

20

21   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I DO THINK THE ANSWER TO YOUR  
22   QUESTION EARLIER IS THAT WE CAN DEAL WITH SOME OF THAT.

23

24   **SUP. BURKE:** IT WOULD BE VERY HELPFUL IF WE DO.

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1   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I THINK IF YOU, LARI, AND THE  
2   PUBLIC LIBRARIAN CAN GET TOGETHER BETWEEN NOW AND SEPTEMBER,  
3   THAT WOULD BE A GOOD IDEA.

4

5   **LARI SHEEHAN:** WE'LL DO THAT.

6

7   **SUP. KNABE:** SO YOU'RE CONTINUING THIS ITEM TO SEPTEMBER?

8

9   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NO. I'M ASSUMING WE HAVE THREE  
10   VOTES TO APPROVE IT, I'M PREPARED TO APPROVE THE 4 PERCENT BUT  
11   I DO WANT TO GET A REPORT BACK FROM THEM ON THE EQUITY ISSUE  
12   THAT YOU AND SUPERVISOR BURKE RAISED.

13

14   **SUP. BURKE:** MY PEOPLE CAN'T AFFORD \$27. A LOT OF PEOPLE IN MY  
15   DISTRICT. FOR THESE SENIORS, THAT'S...

16

17   **SUP. KNABE:** PEOPLE AREN'T GOING TO LIKE THE 4 PERCENT, EITHER,  
18   AND THE RECAPTURE ISSUE. SUPERVISOR BURKE MOVES. I WILL  
19   SECOND. CALL THE ROLL.

20

21   **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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23   **SUP. MOLINA:** AYE.

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25   **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR BURKE?





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2 **SUP. BURKE:** AYE.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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6 **SUP. KNABE:** NO.

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8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AYE. ALL RIGHT. THAT'S APPROVED.

11 THAT WAS ITEM 38.

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13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CORRECT.

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15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ITEM 39.

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17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM 39, I WAS INFORMED THAT THIS IS NO  
18 LONGER A DISCUSSION ITEM; THEREFORE, THIS ITEM IS BEFORE YOUR  
19 BOARD FOR APPROVAL.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** HOW DID THIS CEASE TO BE A  
22 DISCUSSION ITEM? WHAT HAPPENED?

23

24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** I WAS INFORMED...

25



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1   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. IS THERE ANY DISCUSSION ON  
2   THIS ITEM? IF NOT, MOLINA MOVES, KNABE SECONDS, WITHOUT  
3   OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE. ITEM 40?

4

5   **SUP. MOLINA:** THIS IS ONE THAT I HELD.

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7   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MS. MOLINA.

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9   **SUP. MOLINA:** AGAIN, THIS IS-- THIS IS AN ISSUE ON A BOARD  
10   SETTLEMENT ON A CLAIM THAT WAS FILED FOR A BROKEN SIDEWALK AND  
11   IT COST US QUITE A CHUNK OF CHANGE AND UNFORTUNATELY CREATED  
12   QUITE A BIT OF INJURY TO THE PLAINTIFF WHO SUED US BUT MY  
13   CONCERN IS ON THE CORRECTIVE ACTION AND SO I'M GOING AHEAD AND  
14   APPROVING THE SETTLEMENT FOR THE \$240,000 TO MR. GREGORY  
15   GOCKE. AND I ALSO WANT TO AMEND THE CORRECTIVE ACTION TO  
16   PROVIDE FOR A QUARTERLY EVALUATION OF ALL COUNTY-OWNED  
17   FACILITIES FOR LOSS PREVENTION AND SAFETY. THERE SHOULD BE  
18   SOME KIND OF MECHANISM THAT WE DO THIS OURSELVES. WE CAN'T  
19   AFFORD TO BE PAYING THIS KIND OF MONEY AND THIS IS A SMALL ONE  
20   BUT, BY COMPARISON. SO THERE SHOULD BE A MECHANISM SO THAT  
21   DEPARTMENTS THEMSELVES DO THEIR OWN EVALUATION OF OUR COUNTY  
22   BUILDINGS. THAT'S THE ONLY AMENDMENT I WOULD HAVE TO THAT.

23

24   **SUP. KNABE:** I'LL SECOND.

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1   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SECONDED BY MR. KNABE. WITHOUT  
2   OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE ON BOTH THE SETTLEMENT AND THE  
3   AMENDED CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN. ITEM 41-A. DR. CHERNOF?

4

5   **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THERE IS A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC.

6

7   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ON THIS ONE?

8

9   **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YES.

10

11   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT, LET'S HEAR FROM THEM.  
12   WELL, LET'S HEAR FROM DR. CHERNOF FIRST. I PUT THIS MOTION ON  
13   THE AGENDA. IT AROSE OUT OF A LETTER I RECEIVED AND I THINK  
14   ALL THE OTHER MEMBERS RECEIVED ALSO FROM THE LOS ANGELES TIMES  
15   INDICATING THAT, FOR A SECOND TIME, ONE OF THEIR REPORTERS WAS  
16   NOT PERMITTED TO INTERVIEW PEOPLE IN THE "PUBLIC AREAS" OF THE  
17   HOSPITAL AT KING HARBOR HOSPITAL. AND, IN THE LAST CASE, IF MY  
18   MEMORY SERVES ME CORRECTLY, I DON'T HAVE THE LETTER IN FRONT  
19   OF ME, THE REPORTER WAS ESCORTED OUT AT THE INSTRUCTION OF THE  
20   HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATOR. SO I WANTED TO HEAR FROM THE  
21   DEPARTMENT AND, SINCE YOU'RE THE HEAD OF THE DEPARTMENT,  
22   THAT'S GOOD ENOUGH FOR ME, TO HEAR FROM YOU WHAT IS OUR  
23   POLICY? IS OUR POLICY CONSISTENT IN ALL OF THE OTHER  
24   HOSPITALS? BECAUSE THAT'S ONE OF THE ISSUES THAT HAS BEEN  
25   RAISED THAT WE TREAT PEOPLE, REPORTERS DIFFERENTLY THERE THAN



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1 WE DO EVERYWHERE ELSE. WHAT IS THE REASON WE-- IF WE DO KEEP  
2 THEM OUT OF THE WAITING ROOM AREA, FOR EXAMPLE, WHAT IS THE  
3 REASON, LEGAL AND OTHERWISE, ARE WE LEGALLY ENTITLED TO DO  
4 THAT? AND WHY WOULDN'T A REPORTER BE ENTITLED TO INTERVIEW  
5 PEOPLE IF THE PEOPLE ARE WILLING TO BE INTERVIEWED IN A PUBLIC  
6 AREA OF THE HOSPITAL? THOSE ARE ESSENTIALLY THE QUESTIONS AND  
7 ANYTHING ELSE YOU WANT TO ADD, DR. CHERNOF.

8

9 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** GREAT. JUST A COUPLE OF COMMENTS WITH  
10 RESPECT TO SOME OF THE LEGAL QUESTIONS, CHAIR. I'LL DEFER SOME  
11 OF THOSE QUESTIONS TO COUNSEL BECAUSE THEY'VE HELPED US LOOK  
12 AT THIS. LET ME JUST SAY, YOU KNOW, THAT THE DEPARTMENT  
13 BELIEVES THAT HOSPITALS ARE FIRST AND FOREMOST A PLACE WHERE  
14 PATIENTS RECEIVE CARE. IT'S WHERE THE SICK AND DYING COME TO  
15 RECEIVE SERVICES. AND J.C.A.H.O., AS WELL AS A NUMBER OF OTHER  
16 ACCREDITING AND REGULATORY BODIES, EXPECT US TO RESPECT  
17 PATIENT PRIVACY FIRST AND FOREMOST AND TO MAKE SURE THAT CARE  
18 IS DELIVERED IN AN UNFETTERED WAY. OUR PRIMARY CONCERNS REALLY  
19 ARE FOR THE HEALTH AND WELLBEING OF OUR PATIENTS AND THEIR  
20 PRIVACY CONCERNS. WE HAVE PATIENTS WHO OFTEN COME FOR SERVICES  
21 WITH SENSITIVE CONDITIONS THAT THEIR FAMILIES MAY NOT KNOW  
22 ABOUT, THAT COMMUNITY MEMBERS MAY NOT KNOW ABOUT, THAT THEY  
23 MAY NOT WANT MADE PUBLIC AND WE TREAT THE HOSPITALS AS AREAS  
24 WHERE PRIVACY COMES FIRST. OUR POLICIES ARE MATERIALLY THE  
25 SAME ACROSS ALL THE HOSPITALS. THEY ARE NOT EXACTLY THE SAME



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1 BECAUSE IT DEPENDS A LITTLE BIT ON HOW PUBLIC INFORMATION IS  
2 HANDLED IN EACH OF THE HOSPITALS BUT THEY'RE ALL COMPLETELY  
3 CONSISTENT WITH J.C.A.H.O. AND OTHER EXPECTATIONS AROUND  
4 PRIVACY. THIS HAS BEEN AN AREA OF MAJOR FOCUS IN OUR  
5 HOSPITALS, BOTH FROM A REGULATORY PERSPECTIVE AS WELL AS  
6 J.C.A.H.O. THAT WE PROTECT PATIENT PRIVACY BOTH FOR FILMING,  
7 FOR PHOTOGRAPHY AND INTERVIEWING PURPOSES. OUR POLICIES ALL  
8 REQUIRE THAT PHYSICIANS ARE IN AGREEMENT THAT THE PATIENT'S  
9 CARE WILL NOT BE JEOPARDIZED, THAT PATIENTS UNDERSTAND THE  
10 PURPOSE OF THE INTERVIEW AND WHAT THEIR RIGHTS ARE AND,  
11 FINALLY, WE ASK THAT PATIENTS SIGN A CONSENT. OUR POLICIES  
12 MIRROR OF THOSE PRIVATE HOSPITALS IN THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA  
13 AREA. THEY ARE NOT MATERIALLY DIFFERENT. I'LL DEFER TO  
14 COUNSEL, THEY MAY HAVE A DIFFERENT OPINION BUT THAT'S MY  
15 PERSPECTIVE AS A PHYSICIAN. OUR POLICIES ARE NOT MEANT TO BAR  
16 ANYBODY FROM GETTING APPROPRIATE INFORMATION IN OUR  
17 FACILITIES. THEY ARE MEANT TO SET APPROPRIATE PARAMETERS FOR  
18 GETTING THAT INFORMATION SO THAT PATIENT'S PRIVACY IS  
19 PROTECTED, AND FRANKLY SO THAT OUR STAFF CAN DELIVER CARE IN  
20 AN APPROPRIATE AND UNFETTERED WAY. WHEN OUR EMPLOYEES ARE ON  
21 COUNTY TIME, THEY NEED TO BE TAKING CARE OF PATIENTS AND THEY  
22 SHOULDN'T BE INTERFERED WITH IN THAT WORK. FINALLY, WE DO  
23 TREAT EVERYBODY EQUALLY. WE HAVE POLICIES, LIKE I SAID, THAT  
24 ARE MATERIALLY CONSISTENT ACROSS ALL THE HOSPITALS. WE STRIVE



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1 TO APPLY THOSE POLICIES IN AN EQUITABLE AND FAIR FASHION. I'LL  
2 DEFER TO COUNSEL TO SEE IF THERE'S ANYTHING ELSE.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** LET ME ASK YOU BEFORE WE GET TO  
5 COUNSEL, WERE THE REPORTERS IN QUESTION IN THE WAITING ROOM  
6 AREA OF THE EMERGENCY ROOM OR OF THE HOSPITAL?

7

8 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** I CAN'T TELL YOU THE EXACT LOCATION. I HAVE  
9 GONE BACK TO ASK. IN ONE CIRCUMSTANCE, I BELIEVE THAT THE  
10 REPORTER WAS IN THE EMERGENCY ROOM TRIAGE WAITING ROOM AREA  
11 WHICH WE DO VIEW AS A PRIVATE PLACE. PATIENTS ARE COMING IN  
12 FOR SERVICES. THEY ARE WAITING TO BE SEEN WITH THEIR FAMILIES.  
13 THAT INDIVIDUAL DID NOT HAVE PRESS CREDENTIALS, DID NOT FOLLOW  
14 OUR PRESS POLICY. THE OTHER CIRCUMSTANCE, THE...

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** HOW DO YOU KNOW IT WAS A REPORTER  
17 OR TIMES REPORTER?

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19 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** BECAUSE THE NURSING STAFF OBSERVED THE  
20 INDIVIDUAL DOING WHAT APPEARED TO BE INTERVIEWING OF PATIENTS.  
21 AND THE NURSE ASKED O.P.S., OUR SECURITY FOLKS, TO STEP IN.  
22 THE INDIVIDUAL IDENTIFIED HIMSELF AS A REPORTER BUT DID NOT  
23 PRODUCE CREDENTIALS. IN THE OTHER INSTANCE, A REPORTER WAS  
24 FOUND WANDERING IN THE FACILITY. I CAN'T TELL YOU THE EXACT  
25 LOCATION IN THE FACILITY. BUT IT WAS NOTED BY SEVERAL STAFF



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1 MEMBERS WHO CALLED ADMINISTRATION, WHICH IS ACTUALLY OUR  
2 HOSPITAL POLICY. THAT, IF YOU FIND SOMEBODY WANDERING IN THE  
3 FACILITIES WITHOUT APPROPRIATE PRESS CREDENTIALS OR WITHOUT  
4 BEING CLEARED AND FOLLOWING THE HOSPITAL POLICY, TO LET  
5 ADMINISTRATION KNOW. THAT REPORTER WAS BROUGHT TO  
6 ADMINISTRATION, SPOKE WITH THE C.E.O. OF THE FACILITY, WHO  
7 ASKED THAT THE HOSPITAL'S MEDIA POLICY BE FOLLOWED AND, SINCE  
8 IT HADN'T BEEN APPROPRIATELY CLEARED, THAT REPORTER WAS ASKED  
9 TO LEAVE THE FACILITY AT THAT POINT AND SET UP AN APPROPRIATE  
10 TIME, THROUGH THE APPROPRIATE PROCESS, TO TALK WITH FOLKS.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

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14 **LEELA KAPUR:** CHAIR, SUPERVISORS, WE HAVE REVIEWED THE POLICY  
15 WITH D.H.S. I WOULD START BY SAYING THAT WE BELIEVE IT'S  
16 LEGALLY DEFENSIBLE. WE HAVE LOOKED AT POLICIES FROM PRIVATE  
17 HOSPITALS IN THE OTHER COUNTY FACILITIES. WE HAVE ALSO LOOKED  
18 AT THE AMERICAN HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION'S GUIDELINES, AS WELL AS  
19 THE CALIFORNIA HEALTHCARE ASSOCIATION'S GUIDELINES. THEY ALL  
20 SUGGEST OR RECOMMEND THAT FACILITIES HAVE MEDIA ACCESS  
21 POLICIES. THE PREMISE BEHIND IT IS, AS DR. CHERNOF SAID, A  
22 PATIENT RIGHTS, PRIVACY RIGHTS ISSUE. UNDER BOTH FEDERAL AND  
23 STATE LAWS AS YOU ARE AWARE, THE HOSPITALS HAVE AN OBLIGATION  
24 TO MAINTAIN THE PRIVACY RIGHTS OF THEIR PATIENTS. AND ALL OF  
25 THE GUIDELINES AND H.I.P.A.A. SPECIFICALLY, FOR INSTANCE,





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1 REQUIRES THAT, BEFORE A PATIENT IS INTERVIEWED OR VIDEOTAPED  
2 OR PHOTOGRAPHED, THAT WE OBTAIN A CONSENT FROM HIM OR HER. THE  
3 GUIDELINES RECOMMEND THAT YOU SET PARAMETERS SO THAT YOU CAN  
4 ASSURE THAT THAT IS OCCURRING, THAT YOU CAN ASSURE THAT THE  
5 PATIENT'S HEALTH IS NOT PLACED IN ANY JEOPARDY, THAT HOSPITAL  
6 OPERATIONS ARE NOT DISTURBED AND THAT YOU CAN MAKE SURE THE  
7 PATIENTS ARE AWARE OF WHAT THEIR RIGHTS ARE SO, IF THEY DON'T  
8 WANT TO CONSENT, THEY RECOGNIZE THEY DON'T HAVE THE OPTION.  
9 SO, BASED UPON ALL THAT, WE BELIEVE IT IS REASONABLE. AND,  
10 APPARENTLY, ALL OF THE REGULATORY AGENCIES AGREE IT IS  
11 REASONABLE TO HAVE A POLICY IN PLACE. I WOULD REITERATE WHAT  
12 DR. CHERNOF SAID IS THAT OUR POLICIES DO NOT PRECLUDE THE  
13 PRESS FROM BEING ON PREMISE. IT REQUIRES-- THEY REQUIRE THAT  
14 THEY RECEIVE ADVANCE CLEARANCE AND THAT THEY BE ESCORTED  
15 THROUGH THE PREMISE IF THEY ARE GOING TO BE INTERVIEWING OR  
16 PHOTOGRAPHING OR OTHERWISE TOURING THE FACILITY.

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DO WE HAVE A WRITTEN POLICY?

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20 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** YES. IN ALL FACILITIES.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IN ALL THE FACILITIES? AND THEY'RE  
23 ALL THE SAME?

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1 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** THEY ARE NOT EXACTLY THE SAME, SUPERVISOR.  
2 THEY ARE MATERIALLY SIMILAR BECAUSE THEY ARE DRIVEN BY  
3 J.C.A.H.O. AND H.I.P.A.A. REGULATIONS.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WERE THE TWO NEWSPAPER REPORTERS  
6 MADE AWARE OF THE POLICY AT THE TIME THEY WERE-- THE ONES THAT  
7 ARE COMPLAINING ABOUT IN THE LETTERS TO US-- IN THE LETTER TO  
8 US?

9

10 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** YOU KNOW, SUPERVISOR, I CAN'T TELL YOU FOR  
11 SURE WHETHER THEY RECEIVED FORMAL BRIEFINGS OR NOT.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, YOU HAD TWO SEPARATE  
14 INCIDENTS.

15

16 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** I BELIEVE ONE OF THEM WAS. OUR POLICY...

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** BUT YOU HAD TWO SEPARATE  
19 INCIDENTS. OKAY, ONE WAS IN MARCH, I BELIEVE, IF MY MEMORY  
20 SERVES ME CORRECTLY. AFTER THAT INCIDENT, DID ANYBODY FROM  
21 YOUR SHOP INFORM THE LOS ANGELES TIMES, "HEY, WE HAVE A  
22 POLICY. YOU GOT TO CALL US AHEAD OF TIME. WE'LL ESCORT YOU  
23 THROUGH BUT YOU CAN'T JUST WALK IN, BARGE IN ON A BUNCH  
24 PATIENTS WHO ARE WAITING FOR TREATMENT"? DID YOU EVER TELL  
25 THEM THAT WE HAD A WRITTEN POLICY?



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2 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** SUPERVISOR, THE POLICY WAS-- THE FIRST  
3 REPORTER DID HAVE THE POLICY EXPLAINED TO THEM. SO THAT DID  
4 OCCUR. I DON'T BELIEVE THAT WE DID A FORMAL TRAINING OF OTHER  
5 L.A. TIMES REPORTERS AS A RESULT OF THAT INCIDENT. AGAIN, OUR  
6 POLICIES ARE NOT DISSIMILAR FROM ALL OTHER HOSPITALS IN  
7 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SO I DON'T KNOW THAT WE SAW A NEED TO DO  
8 THAT.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** HOW ABOUT OTHER PUBLIC HOSPITALS  
11 IN THE STATE? ARE YOU FAMILIAR WITH ANY OTHER PUBLIC HOSPITAL?  
12 SAN BERNARDINO? RIVERSIDE?

13

14 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** AGAIN, SINCE WE'RE ALL GOVERNED BY THE SAME  
15 J.C.A.H.O. PRIVACY REQUIREMENTS AS WELL AS H.I.P.A.A.  
16 REQUIREMENTS, THEY'RE GOING TO BE MATERIALLY SIMILAR,  
17 SUPERVISOR.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO BACK TO YOU, LEELA. AS BETWEEN  
20 H.I.P.A.A. AND THOSE PRIVACY REQUIREMENTS ON THE MEDICAL SIDE  
21 OF THE LAW AND THE FIRST AMENDMENT SIDE OF THE LAW, WHICH  
22 TRUMPS WHICH?

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1   **LEELA KAPUR:** WE BELIEVE THAT THE POLICIES SET FORTH REASONABLE  
2   PARAMETERS AND THEREFORE ARE NOT UNREASONABLY INTERFERING WITH  
3   THE FIRST AMENDMENT RIGHTS OF THE REPORTERS.

4

5   **SPEAKER:** AT LEAST SPECIFIC TO YOUR QUESTION, THE H.I.P.A.A.  
6   REGS WILL TRUMP THE FIRST AMENDMENT WHEN IT COMES TO PATIENT  
7   PRIVACY.

8

9   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND WHERE DID YOU GET YOUR LAW  
10   DEGREE? SAME PLACE I GOT MINE.

11

12   **SPEAKER:** PROBABLY DOWN ON THE STREET SOMEWHERE BUT IT DOES AND  
13   THE POLICIES ARE CONSISTENT, WHETHER IT'S A PUBLIC HOSPITAL OR  
14   PRIVATE HOSPITAL. I THINK-- I'VE TALKED TO DR. CHERNOF ABOUT  
15   THIS. EVERYONE RECOGNIZES THE MEDIA'S RIGHT TO COME IN AND DO  
16   THEIR JOB. BUT, ON THE SAME HAND, WE HAVE SOME ABSOLUTE  
17   RESPONSIBILITIES TO THE PATIENT AND WE HAVE VERY SPECIFIC REGS  
18   THAT WE MUST COMPLY WITH AND SO THERE'S A BALANCE THAT HAS TO  
19   BE STRUCK AND HE HAS TALKED TO HIS STAFF TO ABSOLUTELY STRIKE  
20   THAT BALANCE WITH...

21

22   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ARE THE GUIDELINES, THE PROTOCOLS  
23   FOR KING HOSPITAL MATERIALLY THE SAME, IS THAT WHAT YOU WERE  
24   SAYING AS THEY ARE IN ALL OUR OTHER HOSPITALS?

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1    **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** YES.

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3    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. MS. BURKE?

4

5    **SUP. BURKE:** DOES THAT APPLY TO ATTORNEYS, ALSO? BECAUSE I  
6    UNDERSTAND ATTORNEYS ARE KEPT-- UNLESS IT'S A PERSON'S  
7    ATTORNEY BUT JUST ATTORNEYS WHO WANT TO COME IN, IT APPLIES TO  
8    THEM, AS WELL, DOESN'T IT?

9

10   **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** WELL, OUR MEDIA POLICY...

11

12   **SUP. BURKE:** EVERYBODY. I MEAN, I JUST CAN'T WALK IN AND RUN  
13   AROUND, I MEAN, THAT'S THE WHOLE PROBLEM, ISN'T IT?

14

15   **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** OUR MEDIA POLICIES ARE SPECIFIC TO MEDIA  
16   REQUESTS. SO INTERVIEWS, PHOTOGRAPHY AND VIDEOTAPING. WE'VE--  
17   THE HOSPITALS HAVE GENERAL POLICIES ABOUT OTHER KINDS OF  
18   INDIVIDUALS COMING INTO A HOSPITAL BUT THOSE ARE NOT GOING TO  
19   BE PART OF THE MEDIA POLICY.

20

21   **SUP. BURKE:** IT'S A DIFFERENT RULE BECAUSE I KNOW THAT THERE  
22   ARE ATTORNEYS WHO STAND OUTSIDE. I DON'T KNOW ABOUT THE OTHER  
23   HOSPITALS BUT AT KING, OF COURSE, THERE'S AT LEAST ONE  
24   ATTORNEY WHO STANDS OUTSIDE. AND I GATHERED THAT HE HAD BEEN  
25   TOLD HE CAN'T GO INTO THE WAITING ROOM.



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2 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** THERE ARE SEPARATE POLICIES THAT GOVERN  
3 OTHER KINDS OF INDIVIDUALS.

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5 **SUP. BURKE:** I SEE.

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7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES ARE  
8 THEY ALLOWED ON THE SECOND FLOOR OR THE EXAMINATION ROOM AREAS  
9 OR ONCE YOU GET BEYOND THE WAITING ROOM, AM I CORRECT ON THAT?  
10 I'M NOT ALLOWED TO GO IN THERE AND I'M A MEMBER OF THE  
11 GOVERNING BODY.

12

13 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** THE ONLY WAY THAT SOMEBODY OTHER THAN A  
14 PATIENT OR A PATIENT'S DESIGNATED FAMILY BELONGS IN THOSE  
15 AREAS IS WITH THE PRIOR APPROVAL OF THE PATIENT'S DOCTOR, THE  
16 PATIENT THEMSELVES AFTER THEY'RE FULLY INFORMED, AND WITH A  
17 WRITTEN CONSENT. SO IT'S THOSE THREE STEPS THAT NEED TO OCCUR.  
18 THAT THE DOCTOR SAYS THE PATIENT'S CARE WILL NOT BE  
19 JEOPARDIZED. THAT THE PATIENT HAS BEEN INFORMED. IT'S NOT  
20 SIGNING A PIECE OF PAPER. IT'S THAT THE PATIENT UNDERSTANDS  
21 THE IMPLICATIONS OF HAVING ANOTHER INDIVIDUAL IN THE ROOM AND  
22 THE PURPOSE FOR THEM BEING THERE. AND THEN FINALLY THAT WE GET  
23 THAT DOCUMENTED IN WRITING. IT'S NO DIFFERENT THAN AN INFORMED  
24 CONSENT FOR SURGERY. IT'S NOT THE PAPER THAT COUNTS. IT'S THE  
25 KNOWLEDGE THAT THAT PAPER REPRESENTS THAT'S IMPORTANT.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO THE ISSUE REALLY IS THE WAITING  
3 ROOM. THAT'S WHERE-- I MEAN, UNDER THE BEST OF CIRCUMSTANCES,  
4 I SHOULDN'T SAY BEST, UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCE, A MEMBER OF THE  
5 JOURNALISM COMMUNITY WHO WANTED TO GO INTO THE HOSPITAL WITH  
6 THE PRIOR APPROVAL, PURSUANT TO YOUR PROTOCOLS, IT WOULD BE IN  
7 THE PUBLIC AREAS OF-- THE SO-CALLED PUBLIC AREAS, THE WAITING  
8 ROOM AREAS OF THE HOSPITAL, NOT IN THE EXAMINATION ROOM, NOT  
9 BEYOND THE DOUBLE DOORS, NOT IN THE OPERATING ROOM?

10

11 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** SUPERVISOR, WE CONSIDER THE EMERGENCY ROOM  
12 TRIAGE AREAS, THE WAITING ROOM JUST OUTSIDE THE TRIAGE AREAS  
13 AS PART OF THE CLINICAL CARE. YOU HAVE PATIENTS WHO COME WHO  
14 HAVE POTENTIALLY SENSITIVE ILLNESSES. THEY MAY THINK THEY  
15 HAVE...

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I UNDERSTAND.

18

19 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** SO WE PROTECT PATIENT PRIVACY IN THOSE  
20 LOCATIONS.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO I'M A REPORTER FOR THE  
23 NEWSPAPER AND I WANT TO GO IN THE HOSPITAL. WHERE ARE YOU  
24 GOING TO ALLOW ME, WITH PRIOR CONSENT, TO GO? ANYWHERE? AS  
25 LONG AS I'M ESCORTED?





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2 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** WITH PRIOR CONSENT, ANYWHERE.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** PRIOR CONSENT OF WHOM?

5

6 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** THE REPORTER NEEDS TO...

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOU GOING TO LET THEM GO INTO MY  
9 WIFE'S HOSPITAL BEDROOM?

10

11 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** NOT WITHOUT THE CONSENT OF YOUR WIFE.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO LEAVING ASIDE THE CONSENT OF  
14 DOCTORS AND WIVES AND RELATIVES AND FAMILY MEMBERS, IF I JUST  
15 WANT TO GO IN, I JUST WANT TO DO KIND OF A MAN ON THE STREET  
16 OR MAN IN THE WAITING ROOM INTERVIEWS WITH PEOPLE, HOW ARE YOU  
17 BEING TREATED? YOU KNOW, WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THE PLACE? WHY  
18 ARE YOU HERE? HAVEN'T YOU BEEN READING OUR PAPER? WHATEVER THE  
19 QUESTIONS ARE, THAT WOULD BE IN THE WAITING ROOM AREA,  
20 WOULDN'T IT?

21

22 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** WE TREAT THE ENTIRE-- OUR POLICIES ARE  
23 STRUCTURED IN A WAY THAT TREATS THE INSIDE OF THE HOSPITAL AS  
24 A PROTECTED SPACE. THOSE ARE PATIENTS GETTING CARE. WE HAVE  
25 PATIENTS THAT COME DOWN TO OUR LOBBIES TO STRETCH THEIR LEGS,



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1 TO SPEND TIME WITH FAMILIES OUTSIDE OF THEIR ROOMS. MANY OF  
2 OUR ROOMS ARE TWO-BEDDED OR MULTI-BEDDED ROOMS SO IT'S HARD TO  
3 HAVE A PRIVATE CONVERSATION IF YOU HAVE PEOPLE IN THE BED NEXT  
4 DOOR. SO WE TREAT THE HOSPITAL, THE ENVELOPE OF THE HOSPITAL,  
5 AS A SPACE THAT IS PROTECTED FOR PATIENT CARE PURPOSES. WE ARE  
6 GLAD TO WORK WITH THE PRESS TO ARRANGE FOR APPROPRIATE  
7 INTERVIEWS BUT WE...

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** HAVE YOU BEEN ASKED BY THE PRESS,  
10 PURSUANT TO YOUR PROTOCOLS, SINCE YOU'VE BEEN THE HEALTH  
11 DIRECTOR, ARE YOU AWARE OF ANY OF THE HOSPITALS WHERE ANY  
12 MEMBER OF THE PRESS HAS SAID "WHAT ARE YOUR PROTOCOLS?" YOU  
13 TELL THEM WHAT YOUR PROTOCOLS ARE. THEY SAY, "WELL, WE WANT TO  
14 BE, SUBJECT TO YOUR PROTOCOLS, WE WANT TO TOUR THE FACILITY,"  
15 HAS ANYBODY ASKED YOU FOR THAT? AND HAVE YOU GRANTED-- HAVE  
16 YOU DENIED SUCH PERMISSION? LET ME ASK YOU THAT. HAVE YOU BEEN  
17 DENIED PERMISSION TO COME INTO THE HOSPITAL PURSUANT TO YOUR  
18 PROTOCOLS?

19

20 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** THOSE REQUESTS DON'T COME TO ME. THEY COME  
21 TO THE FACILITIES AND, WHEN THEY COME IN AN APPROPRIATE  
22 FASHION, THEY ARE APPROVED. AND WE WORK TO MAKE SURE THAT  
23 REPORTERS GET APPROPRIATE ACCESS. I HAVE NOT HAD ANY  
24 COMPLAINTS COME TO ME ABOUT LACK OF ACCESS AT THE OTHER  
25 FACILITIES.



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. CHAIRMAN?

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. KNABE.

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6 **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH, I MEAN, I COULD SEE WHERE YOU'D WANT TO  
7 TREAT THAT WHOLE E.R. ROOM AS TRIAGE IN PRIVACY. I MEAN, AS AN  
8 EXAMPLE, THE ONE I CONTINUE TO USE WHERE THIS FRIEND OF OURS  
9 WOUND UP HAVING TO USE AN E.R. AND TAKING 7 HOURS TO SEE A  
10 PHYSICIAN, IF A MEMBER OF THE PRESS HAD BEEN IN THAT E.R.  
11 WAITING ROOM AND ASKED TO INTERVIEW ME, IT WOULD HAVE BEEN A  
12 GREAT INTERVIEW BECAUSE I WOULD NOT HAVE MADE KIND REMARKS.  
13 OKAY? AND I THINK THAT'S EITHER EMBELLISHMENT OF THE  
14 SITUATION, WHATEVER IT MAY BE AND I THINK YOU HAVE REAL  
15 EXPOSURE, POTENTIAL LIABILITY BECAUSE YOU DON'T KNOW WHO'S IN  
16 THE ROOM. YOU DON'T KNOW WHO'S COMING OUT OF A PATIENT ROOM.  
17 YOU DON'T KNOW THEIR CIRCUMSTANCES. THOSE KINDS OF THINGS. AND  
18 IT'S A DELICATE BALANCE.

19

20 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** IT IS.

21

22 **LEELA KAPUR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, I WOULD ALSO SAY THAT, IN  
23 REVIEWING A COUPLE OF THE POLICIES FROM PRIVATE HOSPITALS,  
24 THEY SPECIFICALLY REFERENCE THE E.D. WAITING ROOM AND INCLUDE  
25 THAT UNDER THEIR POLICY AND THE REASON BEING, AS YOU'VE ALL



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1 SAID, IS THAT THE PATIENTS IN THERE SHOULD BE AFFORDED THE  
2 SAME PRIVACY RIGHTS AS IF A PATIENT HAD BEEN ADMITTED TO A  
3 BED. AND TO TREAT THEM DIFFERENTLY, TO TREAT A PATIENT IN ONE  
4 OF OUR EMERGENCY ROOM WAITING ROOMS DIFFERENTLY THAN THEY  
5 WOULD BE TREATED IN A PRIVATE EMERGENCY ROOM, THAT THEY SIMPLY  
6 CAN'T AFFORD TO GO TO, WOULD SEEM INEQUITABLE.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** CAN A REPORTER STAND OUTSIDE THE  
9 HOSPITAL, JUST RIGHT OUTSIDE THE SLIDING DOORS BETWEEN THE  
10 PARKING LOT AND THE HOSPITAL AND WAIT FOR PEOPLE TO EXIT? OR  
11 IS THAT ALSO CONSIDERED PART OF THE MEDICAL ENVELOPE?

12

13 **LEELA KAPUR:** I DON'T KNOW THE PHYSICAL MAKEUP OF THE  
14 FACILITIES BUT I-- WE DO...

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, SAY YOU HAVE A BUILDING AND  
17 YOU HAVE A DOOR INTO THE BUILDING AND YOU'RE WAITING RIGHT  
18 OUTSIDE THE DOOR.

19

20 **LEELA KAPUR:** THE POLICIES DO SPECIFICALLY ALLOW FOR THE MEDIA  
21 TO FILM RIGHT OUTSIDE THE HOSPITAL AS LONG AS THEY ARE NOT  
22 DISRUPTING PATIENT FLOW.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND TO INTERVIEW ANYBODY WHO WALKS  
25 OUT THE DOOR IF THEY CHOOSE TO BE INTERVIEWED?



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2 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** THE PURPOSE OF THE POLICY IS NOT TO-- IS TO  
3 PROTECT PATIENT PRIVACY AND NOT DISRUPT PATIENT'S ACCESS TO  
4 CARE. SO THE REASONABLENESS STANDARD THAT MS. KAPUR IS  
5 DESCRIBING IS YOU DON'T WANT SOMEBODY STANDING RIGHT IN FRONT  
6 OF THE EMERGENCY ROOM DOOR INTERVIEWING EVERYBODY WHO COMES IN  
7 AND COMES OUT IN A WAY THAT APPEARS TO IMPEDE CARE. BUT A  
8 REASONABLE-- PEOPLE WHO ARE OUTSIDE THE FACILITY, THAT'S THEIR  
9 BUSINESS AS LONG AS THEY'RE NOT IMPEDING PATIENT'S ACCESS TO  
10 CARE.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** BUT YOU CAN SEE WHY SOME PEOPLE  
13 MIGHT NOT SEE IT THAT WAY, ESPECIALLY A JOURNALISTIC  
14 INSTITUTION WHO MAY SEE ALL THIS AS FINE AND GOOD ABOUT  
15 PATIENT CARE AND PATIENT PRIVACY BUT ALSO MAY SEE IT, IN THE  
16 CASE OF A TROUBLED HOSPITAL, AS AN ATTEMPT TO FRUSTRATE THEIR  
17 ABILITY TO GET AT A STORY. I THINK, JUST WALK A MILE IN THE  
18 OTHER GUY'S SHOES. SO I WOULD LIKE TO...

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** JUST BECAUSE THEY'RE TROUBLED DOESN'T MEAN YOU  
21 CHANGE THE RULES FOR THEM.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NO. AS LONG AS THE RULES ARE LEGAL  
24 AND AS LONG AS THE RULES ARE APPLIED CONSISTENTLY ACROSS THE  
25 BOARD AT ALL OF OUR FACILITIES OR SUBSTANTIVELY CONSISTENT



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1 WITH ALL OF OUR FACILITIES, AND THEN I THINK SOMEBODY IN YOUR  
2 SHOP NEEDS TO HAVE A CONVERSATION WITH THEM OR MAYBE SINCE  
3 IT'S A LEGAL ISSUE NOW, WE GOT A LETTER FROM THEIR LAWYERS,  
4 THAT MAYBE THE LAWYERS NEED TO TALK AND UNDERSTAND WHAT OUR  
5 PRACTICE IS AND IF THEY WILL BE SATISFIED-- NOT IF THEY WOULD  
6 BE SATISFIED BUT SEE IF WE CAN SATISFY THEM ON THAT SCORE AND  
7 THAT THERE'S A MODUS OF AVENDI AND A MODUS OPERANDI THAT  
8 HERE'S HOW YOU GO ABOUT IT. YOU GOT TO DO IT ACCORDING TO  
9 THESE RULES. MAYBE THAT WILL SATISFY THEM. MAYBE NOT. BUT YOU  
10 CAN KEEP US POSTED ON THAT.

11

12 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** I WILL BE GLAD TO, CHAIR.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? ALL RIGHT.  
15 THANK YOU, BRUCE.

16

17 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** LEELA, WILL YOU CONTACT THEM?

20

21 **LEELA KAPUR:** YES.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SO, BEFORE WE ACT ON 41-A,  
24 WE HAVE DR. CLAVREUL WANTED TO BE HEARD ON THIS ITEM. GOOD  
25 MORNING.



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2 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** ACTUALLY, IT'S GOOD AFTERNOON.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOU'RE RIGHT.

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6 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I AM AMAZED  
7 ALWAYS AT THE EFFORT TO PREVENT TRANSPARENCY. I'M HAPPY THAT  
8 YOU DIDN'T BRING THE ISSUE OF THE CAFETERIA. ANYBODY HAS THE  
9 RIGHT TO GO TO YOUR CAFETERIA IN A HOSPITAL. THAT ISSUE WASN'T  
10 EVEN BROUGHT UP. IT IS VERY OBVIOUS ABOUT KING HARBOR, OR  
11 WHATEVER YOU WANT TO CALL IT, IS A PREVENTION OF TRANSPARENCY.  
12 WE STILL HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO VIEW THE TAPE OF THAT FATEFUL  
13 NIGHT IN THE E.R. AT KING DREW. IT WOULD BE NICE IF WE HAD  
14 ACCESS TO IT AND MAYBE IT WILL STOP A LOT OF REQUESTS FOR  
15 INFORMATION. I AM ALSO AMAZED THAT DR. CHERNOF IS SO BEHIND  
16 TIME. IT NO LONGER J.C.A.H.O. OR J.C.A.H.O. OR WHATEVER HE  
17 CALL IT, IT'S JOINT ACCREDITATION. SO MAYBE, YOU KNOW, IT COME  
18 UP TO KNOW THE APPROPRIATE TERMINOLOGY TO DEAL WITH ISSUE,  
19 THAT WOULD BE NICE. AND IF THE ISSUE OF KING-HARBOR, HE  
20 CONSTANTLY MENTIONED THE ISSUE OF J.C.A.H.O. WE LOST OUR JOINT  
21 ACCREDITATION AT KING DREW A LONG TIME AGO. SO I THINK IT IS  
22 TOTALLY IRRELEVANT IN THE ISSUE OF KING DREW. BUT SINCE WE ARE  
23 TALKING ABOUT THE TRANSPARENCY, I SUBMITTED TO YOU A REQUEST  
24 UNDER THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC RECORD ACT SECTION 6253(A), I  
25 REQUESTED ACCESS TO ALSO UNDER THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC RECORD





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1 ACT SECTION 6256 AND 6257, I REQUESTED AN APPOINTMENT TO  
2 REVIEW A COPY OF ALL INVOICES PAID TO THE SEARCH FIRM THAT WAS  
3 ENGAGED BY THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY TO FILL THE VACANT POSITION  
4 OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND RESULTING IN A DECISION OF  
5 PROCESS TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I WANT A LIST OF THE  
6 CANDIDATES THAT WERE REVIEWED DURING THE FINAL SELECTION. SUCH  
7 INFORMATION WOULD INCLUDE BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO THE PROPOSALS  
8 THEMSELVES, CORRESPONDENCE, MEMOS, EMAIL IN REGARD TO THE  
9 PROPOSAL, THANK YOU.

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WHY DON'T YOU JUST GIVE IT  
12 TO THE COUNTY COUNSEL AND WE'LL ELIMINATE THE MIDDLEMAN. THANK  
13 YOU, DR. CLAVREUL. WITHOUT OBJECTION, ITEM 41-A WILL BE NOTED  
14 AND FILED. DR. CLAVREUL, DID YOU WANT TO SPEAK TO C.S.-1 WHILE  
15 YOU'RE THERE? OKAY, THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. DO WE HAVE ANYTHING  
16 ELSE? ADJOURNMENTS. MR. KNABE AND MS. MOLINA, THEN MS. BURKE.

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18 **SUP. KNABE:** ALL MEMBERS WILL WANT TO JOURNAL WITH ME IN THIS  
19 ADJOURNMENT. WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MARY ELIZABETH BLESSING  
20 TOWNSEND, MOTHER OF GARY TOWNSEND, CHIEF DEPUTY TO ASSESSOR  
21 RICK AUERBACH, WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY AFTER A LONG FIGHT  
22 WITH ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE. SHE WAS 93 YEARS OLD AND SHE WAS  
23 BORN IN FORT WORTH, TEXAS AND MRS. TOWNSEND LIVED IN LOUISIANA  
24 UNTIL 1964, WHEN THE FAMILY MOVED TO CALIFORNIA. MARY WAS A  
25 VERY HARD-WORKING, SPIRITUAL WOMAN WHO LOVED LIFE AND CARED



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1 DEEPLY ABOUT THOSE SHE LOVED. SHE ENJOYED PLAYING GOLF,  
2 READING AND TRAVELING, PLAYING CARDS AND VISITING FRIENDS. SHE  
3 IS SURVIVED BY HER SONS, DONALD AND GARY, SIBLINGS, JOHN AND  
4 DOROTHY, GRANDCHILDREN, TWILA AND DOUGLAS, AND SIX GREAT-  
5 GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF VIRGILIO  
6 MALONZO, AN ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST AT METRO WHO  
7 PASSED AWAY AFTER SUFFERING A MASSIVE HEART ATTACK ON JULY  
8 14TH. HE WAS 60 YEARS OLD. VIRGILIO WAS RAISED IN MANILA,  
9 PHILIPPINES AND FIRST CAME TO THE UNITED STATES IN 1977. HE  
10 BEGAN WORKING FOR METRO IN '79. RECEIVED HIS CITIZENSHIP IN  
11 1985. HE HAS PLAYED AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE  
12 TEAM IN METRO AND WILL BE SORELY MISSED BY HIS COWORKERS,  
13 FAMILY AND FRIENDS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS THREE BROTHERS, TWO  
14 SISTERS WHO WILL REMEMBER HIM BEST FOR HIS LOVE OF KARAOKE AND  
15 CASINOS AND DEVOTION TO HIS NIECES AND NEPHEWS. THOSE ARE MY  
16 ADJOURNMENTS.

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** UNANIMOUS VOTE. SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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20 **SUP. MOLINA:** I DON'T HAVE ANY ADJOURNING MOTIONS BUT I DO HAVE  
21 AN ISSUE THAT I WANT TO BRING UP. I KNOW THAT, NEXT WEEK, I  
22 HAD ASKED TO HAVE-- AND I WANT TO THANK THE COUNTY COUNSEL.  
23 THIS IS THE FIRST TIME WE GOT A MEMO BEFOREHAND. THIS IS  
24 SCHEDULED ON THE COUNTY COUNSEL CLAIMS BOARD ISSUE. I  
25 APPRECIATE THAT YOU GOT ME THE MEMO. I READ IT. I DON'T GET IT



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1 BUT I READ IT. AND SINCE I HAD GOTTEN IT BEFOREHAND, I WANTED  
2 TO TELL YOU THAT, IN ORDER FOR US TO GET A BETTER APPRECIATION  
3 AS TO THE RATIONALE ON THIS, I NEED YOU TO MAYBE TAKE SOME OF  
4 THE CASES THAT YOU'VE DONE IN THE PAST, BECAUSE I DON'T  
5 UNDERSTAND WHAT'S GOING TO BE DIFFERENT, AS YOU SUMMARIZE  
6 THESE CASES, MAY BE A GOOD THING AND MAY BE FINE BUT IT'S HARD  
7 FROM THIS MEMO TO UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU MEAN. SO I WANTED TO  
8 TAKE THE LIBERTY OF GIVING YOU SOME CASES THAT WERE FROM LAST  
9 YEAR. AND, YOU KNOW, IT LOOKS LIKE I LOST THEM. NO, HERE THEY  
10 ARE. AND I HAVE THREE. AND I DON'T KNOW IF YOU'D LIKE TO PICK  
11 OTHERS. ACTUALLY, FOUR OR FIVE THAT WE HAVE WHAT YOU GAVE US  
12 BEFORE. AND I'D LIKE TO HAVE AN EXAMPLE OF WHAT YOU PLAN ON  
13 GIVING US BY COMPARISON TO THESE CASES. AND THEN, IN YOUR  
14 EXAMPLES, I THINK ONE OF THE THINGS THAT YOU SAID THAT THERE  
15 HAD BEEN MANY YEARS IN WHICH THERE'S BEEN DISCUSSION IN COUNTY  
16 COUNSEL'S OFFICE AS TO WHY WE DO THIS AND HOW IT HAPPENED AND  
17 WHY IT HAPPENED. WE DON'T KNOW THAT. BUT, IF WE READ THIS  
18 MEMO, AS WELL, WHEN WE CHANGE THIS POLICY, IT DOESN'T TALK  
19 ABOUT OR GIVE EXAMPLES WHY WE'RE CHANGING IT, EITHER. SO, FIVE  
20 YEARS FROM NOW, WHEN WE LOOK AT IT OR REVIEW IT, WE WON'T KNOW  
21 WHY. AND SO, IN THAT PARAGRAPH ON PAGE 3, IT SAYS FOR EXAMPLE.  
22 IT WOULD BE GOOD TO GIVE US SOME EXAMPLES OF THAT AND WHERE.  
23 IT JUST MADE A STATEMENT BUT IT DOESN'T GIVE YOU AN EXAMPLE.  
24 SO I JUST WANTED TO SHARE THAT WITH YOU BECAUSE I KNOW WE'RE  
25 GOING TO DISCUSS THIS NEXT WEEK AND, IN ORDER TO BETTER



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1 DISCUSS IT, I THINK THE BOARD WOULD NEED TO KNOW-- WE KNOW HOW  
2 YOU'VE BEEN DOING IT AND THAT'S WORKED VERY, VERY WELL FROM  
3 THE STANDPOINT OF CORRECTIVE ACTIONS. BUT WE NEED TO KNOW HOW  
4 YOU PLAN ON DOING IT BECAUSE IT MAY BE OKAY BECAUSE I'M NOT SO  
5 SURE WE NEED TO LET PLAINTIFF'S BAR KNOW EVERYTHING THAT WE'RE  
6 DOING EVERY MINUTE INCLUDING OUR STRATEGY BUT I WANT TO  
7 APPRECIATE HOW IT WILL LOOK DIFFERENT.

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9 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA, I UNDERSTAND AND WE CAN  
10 CERTAINLY DO THAT. I WOULD MENTION THAT OUR MEMO DOESN'T  
11 REALLY DEAL WITH THE CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN COMPONENT OF THE  
12 MATERIAL THAT'S PRESENTED AS PART OF A SETTLEMENT PACKET. I  
13 DON'T KNOW WHETHER THAT'S SOMETHING YOU WOULD WANT US TO BE  
14 DEALING WITH. THAT WOULD BE SOMETHING WE WOULD WORK WITH THE  
15 C.E.O. ON.

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17 **SUP. MOLINA:** RIGHT. IT ISN'T AN ISSUE BUT, FROM THAT-- FROM  
18 THOSE, IT BECOMES A CORRECTIVE ACTION. FOR EXAMPLE, DONOVAN  
19 MAIN JUST EMAILED ME ON A CASE WE JUST LOST. NOW, I'M LOOKING  
20 AT THIS CASE, AND IT'S, LIKE, YOU KNOW, WHAT CAN I TELL YOU?  
21 IT'S SOMETHING I'VE BEEN BEEFING ABOUT FOR A LONG, LONG TIME.  
22 I DON'T WANT TO SAY IT PUBLICLY BUT IT'S A PERFECT EXAMPLE.

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24 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** I UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU'RE SAYING.

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1   **SUP. MOLINA:** WE NEED TO KNOW HOW WE'RE LOSING THESE CASES OR  
2   WHAT IT IS THAT'S GOING ON OR WHAT BROUGHT IT ABOUT. THIS ONE  
3   SHOULD NOT HAVE BEEN LOST IF SOMEBODY SHOULD HAVE JUST  
4   FOLLOWED THEIR BASIC RESPONSIBILITY AS A SUPERVISOR.

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6   **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** WHAT I'M HEARING, THOUGH, SUPERVISOR, I  
7   UNDERSTAND EVERYTHING YOU'RE SAYING. WHAT I'M HEARING IS THAT  
8   WE SHOULD BE DISCUSSING WITH THE C.E.O. AND WHETHER WE CAN DO  
9   THAT BEFORE NEXT WEEK OR IN FOLLOW-UP, HOW THE CORRECTIVE  
10   ACTION PLAN WORKS INTO ALL OF THIS AS FAR AS WHAT IS DISCLOSED  
11   PUBLICLY AND WHAT IS NOT.

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13   **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL, IT ISN'T JUST THE CORRECTIVE ACTION. IT'S  
14   THE ISSUE OF TRANSPARENCY. WHAT IS IT THAT THE PUBLIC SHOULD  
15   KNOW? THESE ARE TAX DOLLARS. IF WE'RE GOING TO PAY OUT 2  
16   MILLION OR 300,000 FOR SOME OF THESE THINGS, WHY ARE WE PAYING  
17   IT? DID SOMEBODY TRIP OVER A SIDEWALK? I MEAN, THAT HAPPENS  
18   ALL THE TIME. BUT WHAT ARE WE DOING TO CORRECT IT? I THINK THE  
19   PUBLIC NEEDS TO KNOW THAT PART OF IT. NOW, TO WHAT EXTENT WAS  
20   OUR LEGAL STRATEGY? I DON'T KNOW THAT THEY NEED TO KNOW THAT  
21   PART OF IT. BUT WE DO NEED TO EXPLAIN TO THE PUBLIC, WHY NOT?  
22   AND EXAMPLES OF WHY NOT. IN THE CORRECTIVE ACTIONS, I THINK  
23   WE'RE ALWAYS IN THE PROCESS OF REFINING IT. BUT, UNTIL  
24   SOMEBODY TELLS US HOW WE LOST A CASE AND THE ONE THAT DONOVAN  
25   MAIN JUST SENT OVER TO ME, IT TELLS US CLEARLY HOW WE LOST



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1 THIS CASE. AND THE WORST PART FOR ME IS THAT THE CORRECTIVE  
2 ACTION HAS TO GO BACK AND FIND OUT WHO THAT PERSON WAS THAT  
3 DIDN'T DO THEIR JOB THAT LED TO THIS HUGE AWARD. AND I THINK  
4 THAT'S-- HOW DO WE CREATE THIS BALANCE? AND SO I GOT YOUR  
5 MEMO. I TRULY APPRECIATE IT. I'D LIKE TO GIVE YOU THESE CASES.  
6 IF YOU WANT TO PICK OTHERS, THAT'S FINE. BUT THIS IS WHAT WE  
7 USED TO GET AND WHAT WE'RE GOING TO GET NOW. I THINK IT WILL  
8 HELP WITH THE BOARD DISCUSSION.

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10 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** CERTAINLY, SUPERVISOR.

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12 **SUP. MOLINA:** THAT'S ALL I HAVE.

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14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR BURKE?

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16 **SUP. BURKE:** I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN  
17 MEMORY OF CARL VENTO, A LONG TIME L.A. COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF  
18 PARKS AND RECREATION EMPLOYEE WHO RETIRED AFTER 40 YEARS OF  
19 DEDICATED SERVICE IN MARCH 2006. HE LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS  
20 MEMORY A HOST OF FAMILY AND FRIENDS. AND ERNEST T. HAMILTON,  
21 JR., A COMMISSIONER ON DISABILITIES WHO PASSED AWAY JULY 17TH.  
22 COMMISSIONER HAMILTON WAS APPOINTED TO THE COMMISSION ON  
23 DISABILITIES IN DECEMBER OF 1993. HE WAS A COUNSELOR AND  
24 DEDICATED ADVOCATE FOR DISABLED PERSONS AND THEIR LEGAL RIGHTS  
25 MANDATED BY A.D.A. AS A PLAYWRIGHT, HE ALSO HAD A MOST



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1    SUCCESSFUL ENDEAVOR WITH DISPLAY, "THERE IS HELP IN GIMP  
2    CITY", A PLAY HE STRONGLY FELT WOULD SENSITIZE THE COMMUNITY  
3    TO THE NEEDS OF PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES AND INCREASE  
4    EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES. HE LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS  
5    DAUGHTER, STACEY BRANNON, AND THREE GRANDCHILDREN, JAY LEE,  
6    JEREMIAH AND JORDAN. I'D LIKE TO ASK ALL MEMBERS.

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8    **SUP. KNABE:** ABSOLUTELY. ERNEST WAS ONE OF MY APPOINTEES.

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10    **SUP. BURKE:** ERNIE HAMILTON WAS A PERSON WHO WORKED SO HARD.  
11    AND, REALLY, HE ENJOYED SO MUCH HIS WORK WITH THE DEPARTMENT  
12    AND WITH THE COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES. HE HAD BEEN AN  
13    ATHLETE IN HIS LIFETIME BEFORE HE SUFFERED FROM A VERY  
14    UNFORTUNATE AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT AND HIS SERVICE IS TODAY AND  
15    WE'LL HAVE A REPRESENTATIVE FROM OUR OFFICE THERE. BUD I'D  
16    LIKE TO ASK ALL MEMBERS TO JOIN IN ADJOURNING.

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18    **SUP. KNABE:** ABSOLUTELY. HE WAS AN INCREDIBLE ADVOCATE, A GOOD  
19    FRIEND AND ERNEST WILL TRULY BE MISSED BY ALL WHO KNEW HIM. I  
20    MEAN, HIS PERSEVERANCE AND HIS TENACIOUSNESS AT TIMES ALWAYS  
21    FOR THE RIGHT REASONS AND ADVOCATING ON BEHALF OF THOSE WITH  
22    DISABILITIES. AND THE WAY HE GOT AROUND ON HIS OWN, EVEN WITH  
23    HIS OWN SITUATION, AND "GIMP CITY" WAS A GREAT PLAY.

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25    **SUP. BURKE:** EXCELLENT.





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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** UNANIMOUS VOTE ON THAT.

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4 **SUP. BURKE:** BARBARA MCIVER, THE MOTHER-IN-LAW OF MY STAFF  
5 MEMBER, DONNA, AND MOTHER OF HER HUSBAND, ROB CORDIG. SHE  
6 LEAVES TO CHERISH HER MEMORY HER SONS, ROY, RAY, ROBERT AND  
7 CHARLES, GRANDCHILDREN AND DAUGHTER-IN-LAWS. AND WALTER BARON,  
8 FOUNDING CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF CITY CLUB ON BUNKER HILLS.  
9 HE JOINED ERNST AND WHINNEY PREDECESSOR TO ERNST AND YOUNG IN  
10 1948 UPON GRADUATING FROM BAYLOR UNIVERSITY. HE BECAME PARTNER  
11 IN 1960. HE MOVED TO LOS ANGELES IN 1971 WHERE HE WAS VICE  
12 CHAIRMAN AND MANAGEMENT PARTNER OF THE FIRM'S WESTERN REGIONAL  
13 OFFICE UNTIL HIS RETIREMENT FROM ERNST & YOUNG IN 1986. HE  
14 LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS WIFE, SPEEDY, AND THEIR TWO  
15 SONS, JIM AND JOHN BERAN.

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17 **SUP. KNABE:** I'D LIKE TO JOHN IN WALTERS AS WELL. GREAT GUY.

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19 **SUP. BURKE:** HE'S GOING TO BE HONORED AT A CEREMONY IN THE NEXT  
20 COUPLE OF WEEKS.

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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24 **SUP. BURKE:** I AM NOT HOLDING ANYTHING.

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1   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I THINK WE'RE ONLY DOWN TO PUBLIC  
2   COMMENT NOW. PATRICIA MAULCAHY. -- MULCAHEY?

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4   **PATRICIA MULCAHEY:** IN REGARDS TO AGENDA ITEM 36 WHO ASKED THAT  
5   IT BE HELD, IT SEEMS THAT THE COURT OF JUSTICE OPERATES AS A  
6   KANGAROO JUSTICE SYSTEM AND THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF THE FOSTER  
7   BOARDS ARE STILL SUFFERING SEXUAL ABUSE. IN REFERENCE TO COURT  
8   CASE NUMBER 04-11186-1127-44, POLICE REPORT D.A. HELLER,  
9   CRIMINAL CASE NUMBER M.A. 02938, D.A. HELLER'S PHONE NUMBER IS  
10   661-977-7700. IN REGARDS TO COURT REPORTER LINDA ELFOR, THAT'S  
11   E-L-F-O-R, PHONE NUMBER 661-974-7570. TRANSCRIPT HEARING  
12   REQUESTING NOVEMBER THE 29TH, 2007. COULD YOU STOP THAT CLOCK,  
13   PLEASE? IT SEEMS THAT, AGAIN, I'M ASKING YOU TO STOP THE  
14   CLOCK. I STILL HAVE A MINUTE 40 LEFT.

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16   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** 3 MINUTES.

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18   **PATRICIA MULCAHEY:** AGAIN, TO REFERENCE THE K.D.H. SETTLEMENT  
19   DOES NOT INCLUDE ALL NEW VICTIMS THAT HAVE SUFFERED MENTAL  
20   ABUSE, SEXUAL ABUSE OR HAS DIED. \_\_\_\_\_ COMMITTED  
21   PERJURY OR COVERED UP WITH FALSE AWARDS. \_\_\_\_\_ HAS  
22   SUFFERED THROUGH HEALTH IN REGARDS TO YOUR FALSE SECURE  
23   SYSTEM. IT SEEMS THE COURT IS-- DOES AND DOES OPERATE AS A  
24   KANGAROO COURT. AGAIN, POLICE REPORT NUMBER 04- 1187-- 04-  
25   11186-1127-44 DOES NOT INCLUDE ALL NEW VICTIMS IN REGARD TO



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1 THE K.D.H. SETTLEMENT. DOES NOT INCLUDE ALL THAT THE CHILDREN  
2 THAT HAS DIED IN REGARDS TO THIS CASE. STILL ONE OF YOU  
3 ADDRESS IN REGARDS TO THIS SITUATION. COMMENT  
4 YAROSOSAVICH[SIC]?

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. GO INTO CLOSED SESSION?

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8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,  
9 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL  
10 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM C.S.-1, CONFERENCE  
11 WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION AND ITEM  
12 C.S.-2 AND C.S.-3 CONFERENCES WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING  
13 SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION, TWO CASES, AS INDICATED ON  
14 THE POSTED AGENDA. THANK YOU.

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